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## FOUR ARE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

SMASH AT WABASSO SAID TO HAVE BEEN FIRST ON FLAGLER SYSTEM IN WHICH PASSENGER WAS KILLED.

In what is said to have been the first wreck in the history of the Florida East Coast railroad in which the life of a passenger was lost, four women and a baby were killed in the wrecking of the rear day coach on passenger train No. 29 at Wabasso late Thursday evening.

The wreck is supposed to have been caused by a loose tire on one of the wheels of the day coach, which had been attached to the rear of the local passenger train to help take care of the extra heavy travel at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Hiscock of New Smyrna and their son were passengers on the train and in the wrecked coach. Mr. Hiscock has been ill for a number of weeks and he and his wife were being taken to Miami by their son for a course of treatment in a Miami hospital. Mr. Hiscock received a blow on the head and a number of bruises and was taken to a hospital in West Palm Beach for treatment. Mrs. Hiscock and her son received a number of cuts and bruises but were not dangerously injured.

R. A. Davis, rear flagman on the train, was caught in the wrecked coach and badly hurt. However, he had presence of mind enough to obtain a fuse from the baggage car and it went back up the track to warn a fast freight train, which was following No. 29. The flagman was pinned under the body of a dead woman, but managed to extricate himself, go the length of the train for a signal flare and make his way back up the track in time to flag the oncoming freight.

How the flagman's heroism averted a second tragedy and a possible greater toll of dead and injured is told by W. M. Clemens, managing editor of the Knoxville Journal, a passenger on the train.

The flagman, who was standing on the rear of the train when the coach left the track, fell beneath a woman and the two were pinned under the debris of the wrecked car.

Badly hurt and stunned by the fall, his first thoughts were of the freight, carrying perishables, which entitles it to run on passenger train time, and which at the last station had been reported ten minutes behind the passenger train.

It took the flagman six or seven minutes, he told Mr. Clemens, to collect his wits and extract himself from beneath the body of the dead woman. Then, with his flagman's equipment scattered somewhere beneath the wreck, it was necessary for him to run almost the length of the train to obtain other fusees, with which to signal the oncoming freight train. He dashed back, approximately 250 yards and lighted the fuse just in time to stop the coming train from crashing headlong into the derailed passenger coach.

Mr. Clemens, who with Mrs. Clemens boarded the train at Daytona for Miami, was a passenger in the coach next to the ill-fated car and it was only by a stroke of luck, he said, that they were not in the last car, they having obtained Pullman seats just before the train pulled out of Daytona. The wrecked car was a day

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## Good Football Game Scheduled for Thanksgiving

What will probably be the best football game of the season in New Smyrna will be the contest between the New Smyrna Athletic club team and the Fort Lauderdale Tarpons to be played on the Sims' lot in this city Thanksgiving day afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock.

The team recently organized among the members of the local athletic club has been practicing diligently and the club is now in shape to give a good account of itself in any contest. The only game played by this team this year was the one with the Fort Lauderdale Tarpons in Fort Lauderdale Armistice day, when the New Smyrna team was defeated by a score of 13 to 0. The boys believe they are in condition now to get revenge for this defeat and will give the spectators their money's worth next Thursday afternoon.

## STATE TEACHERS MEET IN DAYTONA

CONVENTION OF FLORIDA PEDAGOGUES WILL BE HELD IN NEIGHBORING CITY THE LAST WEEK IN DECEMBER.

Plans are already being given final touches for the Florida Educational association's annual convention, to be held in Daytona December 27-30, and which is expected to draw about 3,000 members from throughout the state, according to the Daytona Daily News.

This convention, according to officials in charge of arrangements, will probably be the largest and one of the most important meetings to be held in this community this year, and the Halifax country is expected to come into the state's limelight through the manner of entertaining the host of visitors.

The meeting of the state association was secured for Daytona after a hard fight against representatives of other Florida cities at West Palm Beach last year, when a large delegation of business men and civic leaders presented Daytona's invitation.

During the four-day session this year speakers of national reputation will address the teachers and an unusual program of amusement and recreational features is being worked out.

The tentative program, subject to changes, is as follows:

The convention will open Saturday, December 27, at 7:30 p. m., with general meeting at the Peabody auditorium, Daytona Beach. A special musical program will be provided and addresses of welcome delivered by the mayors and outstanding business men, followed by five-minute talks by President A. A. Murphree, Florida university; President W. C. Weir, Rollins college; Dr. Charles Payne of New York city, and the principal address of the evening by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, pure food expert, of Washington, D. C.

Sunday morning special services for the educators will be conducted at all churches, and Sunday afternoon they will be guests of the Florida Forum, when Dr. Charles Payne will again be the principal speaker. During the evening Sunday union services will be conducted.

Monday morning will be marked by general sessions in the auditorium, with W. S. Cawthon, superintendent of public instruction, and Dr. T. R. Leigh, dean of chemistry at the state university, as principal speakers. Monday afternoon will be featured by sectional meetings at the various school houses and public meeting places. During the hours between 4:30 and 6 p. m., Monday, the educators will be guests of the Palmetto club at their clubhouse.

Monday evening there will be a general session at the auditorium, at which it is hoped to secure Gov. John W. Martin as the principal speaker,

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## Large Busses Again Bringing Visitors Here

The B. B. Schulte Realty company, selling agents for the Pugsey & Rogers tract at New Smyrna Beach, has started some of the busses which will be run to New Smyrna through the winter season, bringing visitors from other cities who are interested in the development of this community. These busses brought thousands of visitors to New Smyrna and New Smyrna Beach last winter and several additional busses will be operated this winter season. The first ones were ran Tuesday of this week, one coming from Daytona and Daytona Beach and one from Orlando and DeLand. A little later additional bus lines will be operated from Jacksonville and Tampa and points between these cities and New Smyrna. The visitors are shown about the city of New Smyrna when they arrive and are then taken to the beach, where they are shown the Pugsey & Rogers development and given a clam chowder dinner at the new pavilion facing the ocean.

Marshall Jones arrived Tuesday from Bay House, Idaho, on a vacation trip to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Jones. He will remain here until February. Marshall has been away four years, and his friends are glad to welcome him back.

WE GROW CORN HERE

Corn on Land from Which a Crop of Potatoes Was Harvested

## MUST SOON PROVIDE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING TO ACCOMMODATE PUPILS

If the New Smyrna public schools are to avoid the experience of being crowded beyond the point where good school work is possible something must be done at once to provide more school buildings.

Last year the enrollment reached 700 at the peak of attendance, there are now over 775 pupils in actual attendance, and about 850 can be expected in February. It is hardly likely that any pupils will be refused admission this year, nor are we likely to be crowded beyond the point where good work is possible. But there are no more rooms available for school use in the present plant and it will be necessary to add from three to six more teachers for the next school year and we have no rooms for them. It will then be necessary either to rent more rooms, and none are known to be available, or else to have two sections of a grade use the same room, one section coming in the morning and one in the afternoon. Neither of these plans is desirable.

The enrollment increased over 30 per cent last year over the preceeding year and it has increased about 20 per cent for the two months of this year over the same period of last year. Should this 20 per cent increase continue, and at least this increase is to be expected, about 1,000 pupils will be enrolled at the height of attendance next year and in the year 1926-1927, there will be over 1,200 pupils in attendance during the height of enrollment. Of this number about 700 will be in the first six grades, requiring the services of 22 teachers and the remainder will be in the junior and senior high school, requiring the services of at least 18 teachers.

During the fifth school year from this one, 1929-1930, the enrollment will be in excess of 2,000 of which over 1,300 will be in the first six grades and over 700 in the junior-senior high school. To care for these children a faculty of at least 70 teachers will be necessary, 37 of whom will be in the grades and the remainder in the junior-senior high school.

Steps must be taken at once to provide more school rooms for the community and the county superintendent and local school authorities are having preliminary plans drawn up for the purpose of trying to determine the cost of a building which will meet the requirements of the junior-senior high school for the next five years. This building will have to contain not fewer than twenty recitation rooms, two study halls, laboratories, rooms for home economics and manual training, an auditorium and other necessary features. Fortunately the school board owns two city blocks in Rio Vista section and this is sufficient land to accommodate the junior-senior high school for years to come. The plan is to design a building which can be added to without loss of space already constructed whenever the demands of the school require it. A portion of this building should be constructed at once which will provide the room mentioned above.

As soon as a tentative plan is agreed upon steps will be taken to determine the cost of the unit needed to house the junior-senior high school and some grades below this for the next five years.

All construction on the new property in Rio Vista will be so designed that it can be used for high school purposes, because this appears to be the logical location for the high schools of this district. Within a few years it will be necessary to have ward buildings for grades below the seventh in Edgewater, Mission City and at the beach. Within three years we will know where the demand is the greatest and as soon as our facilities prove inadequate again we can begin the construction of these buildings.

In addition to the new junior-senior high school provisions should be made in the proposed bond issue to repair the present buildings, to pay off the remaining money due the school blocks and to provide more accommodations for the negro school which is at present badly crowded.

While it is impossible to say at this time just how big a bond issue will be necessary to meet these requirements it is probably safe to say that it will be not less than $175,000 and not more than $200,000

### MRS. L. K. POND PASSES AWAY

Original plans for this booster edition of the News were given a setback when Mrs. L. K. Pond, who started the work of preparing the edition, was taken ill and compelled to give up her work and it became necessary for the regular News force, already handicapped for time and swamped with work, to complete the edition. Mrs. Pond entered a hospital in Daytona last week and passed away in that institution Wednesday night, according to a telephone message to the News yesterday morning. She was a resident of Sanford, where her son is employed in a bank.

## MAINTAIN DETOURS THROUGH WINTER

WORK ON DIXIE HIGHWAY IS BEING CARRIED ON MORE RAPIDLY NOW THAN AT ANY PREVIOUS TIME.

Addressing the members of the chamber of commerce present at the regular meeting Tuesday night this week, P. J. Looney, project engineer for the state road department, who is in charge of the road construction work on the Dixie highway in this special road district, gave the men present some splendid ideas of the workings of the road laws in the state of North Carolina and some reasons why North Carolina has the reputation of having the best highways of any state in the south.

Mr. Looney is thoroughly familiar with the highway construction laws and rules in North Carolina and his talk Tuesday night gave the members of the local chamber of commerce the idea that it would be a fine thing for the state of Florida to take steps for laws similar to those established by her northern neighbor.

The principal highways of the state of North Carolina have been constructed under state-wide bond issues and the gasoline tax is turned into a fund to pay the interest on these bonds and create a sinking fund for their retirement. In Florida the gasoline tax returns are turned over to the state highway commission to spend as the members of the board see fit and not in accordance with a set state-wide program.

Mr. Looney, in discussing the construction work being done on the Dixie highway under the direction of the state road department, both north and south of this city, says the construction work is being carried on more rapidly at this time than it has been at any time since the operations were started many months ago. Between Rose bay and the south county line there are now 16 construction gangs of workmen carrying on the operations.

In order to take care of the heavy winter automobile traffic during the next few months, the state road department plans to maintain the old road as detours where the new construction does not follow the old right of way, and efforts will be made to keep these detours in good passable condition throughout the winter season.

It is the plan of the state road department to keep the construction work on the Dixie highway moving as rapidly as possible and the highway will be completed as soon as the contractors can be made to finish the construction.

Mrs. J. L. Rush and daughter, Myrtle, Mrs. J. E. Gamble and J. E. Kerr motored to Ocala Tuesday to spend the remainder of the week. Mrs. Rush was called to her mother, Mrs. Hattie Hawkbone, who had sustained a fractured hip.

## Plan for Park Around Railroad Station Here

The city beautification meeting last Friday night proved to be very interesting. More seeds were reported ordered, and are now at the chamber of commerce rooms ready for distribution upon application. P. B. Bird, F. E. C. freight agent, was present and asked the co operation of the committee and the city in making a flower park of portion of the ground around the railroad station. He presented a drawing of the grounds, and stated the railroad will get the ground in readiness and fence it if the city and committee will plant and maintain the park. City Manager Ott was present and expressed co-operation, and the committee on school ground improvement, consisting of Mrs. T. L. Howell, Mrs. H. H. Sams and Mrs. Myrtle Jones were asked to confer with Mr. Bird for further information. Mr. Roper's survey and map of the school grounds was also presented and this turned over to the committee for further use.

Allen Smith spent Saturday in Gainesville, gathering up his belongings, as he does not expect to return to school this term.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chalker and Leah and the former's little granddaughter motored to Winter Park Sunday and spent the day.

## TURTLE MOUND IS ANCIENT LANDMARK

BIG SHELL DEPOSIT ON PENINSULA SOUTH OF THIS CITY IS SPOT OF HISTORIC INTEREST TO ALL.

Turtle Mound lies on the peninsula between the North Indian river and the Atlantic ocean, about ten miles south of New Smyrna. It has been called the most representative Indian mound in Florida, for it is not only of archaeological importance as a relic of a race of Indians long since passed away, but it is also historically interesting, for it was known to the French and Spanish explorers and figures on many of their maps of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

The mound is composed of shells, principally oyster, of very large size. The western side has been washed by the river into a straight wall and rises sheer 40 feet to the very top. The other sides slope abruptly, but irregularly, to the base. On the south a bend in the river forms a gently curving beach, where the shells are bleached white by sun and rain. Its tangled crown of naked myrtle and prickly ash, bound together by Virginia creeper and moonflower, give it the appearance of still greater height. Curious shrubs and vines grow in a dense thicket over the whole mound and wild orange trees flourish in protected nooks.

To one standing on the summit an impression of still greater height is given by the commanding view of the low and level surrounding country.

It is called Turtle Mound by John Lee Williams in his book, "The Territory of Florida," which appeared in 1837, and on the map accompanying it, and in Charles Vignoles' "Observations Upon the Floridas," published in 1823, he speaks of "Turtle Mound or Mount Tucker, the summit of which is about 80 feet above the level of Hillsboro river, as the channel is called. It is a vast collection of shells, chiefly oysters, which appear to be the work of Indians of other days."

The Florida section of: "A New and Correct Chart of North America, from Cape Cod, to the Havannah," by John Hamilton Moore, London, 1796, shows Turtle Mound as "the Rock or Mount Tucker."

In "A Description of East Florida by William Stork, with a journal kept by John Bartram of Philadelphia, (1769), there is as a frontispiece a map of Florida by T. Jefferys, on which Turtle Mound appears simply as "The Rock." On a Jefferys map with the names of places in Spanish, published six years earlier as the frontispiece to William Roberts' "An Account of the First Discovery and Natural History of Florida," London, 1763, Turtle Mound is called "La Roque." This may be either an old form of "roca," the Spanish for rock, or a corruption of Turtle Mound's original Indian name, the "Mount of Surroque."

The most remarkable mention of Turtle Mound on any English map is that which appears on William Gerard de Brahm's "A Plan of Part of the Coast of East Florida including St. John's River from an Actual Survey." This monumental work is dated 1769, and is in many sections. De Brahm gives the name of all the English settlers and the size of their

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## Serenade and Pound Shower for Newlyweds

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Murray, newlyweds, were remembered by about 30 of their friends, who called unexpectedly at their home on Magnolia street Monday night and gave them a serenade and pound shower. After this the company enjoyed a veneer toast and social time, during which congratulations were showered on the bride and groom.

Mr. Murray, who has lived in this community practically all of his life and is well known here, and Miss Lubna Gray were married November 9th at the home of the bride at Belle, Florida, and came here after the ceremony to make their home.

Misses Maccie Sheldon and Alice Lee MacAulay, Dwight Hamilton and Ed Carpenter motored to DeLand Saturday and attended the Pi Kappa Phi dance.

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## *Many Shells May Be Found on the Beach*

Isabelle Godhue is writing some mighty good things for the Florida Grower In the issue for September 27 under the title of On the Beach she tells the story of Florida sea shells saying in the opening that the Florida coast is treasure land to the conchologist and amateur collector of shells and sea curios An early walk up the splendid Atlantic beach or one of the more unfrequented gulf beaches is an unfailing pleasure and one is sure to be furnished with interesting specimens It is a strange fact that many of the shells of the East Coast belong chiefly to the tropical sea fauna while numbers of those found on the West Coast of Florida are similar or identical with the North Atlantic variations Persons who have eaten donax soup may be interested in this paragraph An other living shell on the Florida coasts with which we are sure to become acquainted is the tiny coquina (donax variabilis) A mass of these left by a receding wave look like splinters from a rainbow so beautifully are they rayed with lilac pink cream yellow or blue She is sorting many varieties of shells and notes their beautiful colors Many odd forms of life are mentioned as being found along the beaches She went in bathing concerning which she says We ourselves often look like large phosphorescent marine fireflies when we emerge dripping from the water after bathing at dusk or in the evening this phosphorescence all through the water and gleaming in the spray of the surf being a fantastic peculiarity of the southern seas

The director of the bureau of child welfare of the state board of health Jacksonville Mrs Laurie Jean Read has placed in pamphlet form suggestions for the course of study in health and physical education for the elementary grades of the public schools This pamphlet is well worth reading and every teacher in the state should peruse it with care Copies will be sent to anyone on request No one can teach in the public schools of Florida without having a health certificate signed by a reputable physician showing that they are not affected with or are carriers of communicable disease

## *Auto Races to Be Feature of State Fair*

Automobile racing will put their usual thrills and sensations are once more to be a part of the Florida state fair Friday and Saturday November 21 and 22 are the days set as the dust dogs to get into action with their thrill machines and according to dope the line up contains the greatest group of dirt track celebrities that have ever appeared on a Florida track

Big Haugdahl world speed king who two years ago shattered all world's records by driving 180 27 miles per hour at Daytona is in the line up with his latest speed creation a straight Miller Special but will probably have a lot of real competition in the form of Larry D Stone former dirt track champion of the world who is to drive a Simplex Speedy Walters has entered a Maxwell and Wild Sam Purvis of Jacksonville will be seen behind the wheel of a Fiat

In the light car races Pop Daily of Orlando heads the list but will have to step out to stay in front of a couple of fast Fords that have been entered by Spunk Collins of Regina Sack and by Bob Green of Orlando Collins claims that his mount is the fastest Ford in the world and he bases his claim on the fact that it is the only Ford car that ever finished in the money in a five hundred mile speedway classic

Seven events are on the list for the first day's racing which are to take place Friday November 21

On October 12 1492 432 years ago Columbus sighted land in America after a voyage of 67 days On October 12 1924 an airship left Germany at 6 46 a m and reached America October 15 at 4 15 a m making a non stop flight across the ocean in a little more than 80 hours for a much longer trip Since the days of Columbus more changes and improvements have taken place in the world than in all previous recorded history It will not be long before a round trip from Jacksonville to New York will be a common daily experience Many of our readers can recall the flight of an airplane from Palm Beach to San Diego Cal from the Atlantic to the Pacific in 22 hours


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### The Church in These Days

A great deal is expected of the church It is appealed to in behalf of law and order, and prohibition and morality and benevolence and world peace The great forward movements of the time depends upon the church for support. The church is not infallible There have been mistakes but they have never deflected its general course toward the establishment of righteousness in the world

Whatever failure may be attributed to the church it has not failed in community influence, in reformatory measures, in missionary enterprise and in the preaching of the gospel Contrary to some ideas of the church it is not intolerant in its belief, nor sectarian in its practice, nor behind the times in its methods

The purpose of the church distinguishes it from other organizations Its great concern is the preach the gospel By its multitude of places of public worship, by its Christian schools, by its missionary service, by its printed page and by its distribution of the Bible it is lifting up the Christ to all the world It declares Christian ideals to our young people and molds Christian character Next to the home it is the mightiest force in character building

It is not primarily a social organization nor an educational institution in the ordinary acceptance of these terms, but it is the sacred place of the Divine Presence where we meet to worship God The church inspires men by its standards of love, sacrifice, fair play and service To the church we look for a Christian civilization in America and in the world

The church is worthy of support because it is a part of good citizenship As we love our country as we desire the maintenance of our institutions, we welcome the influence of religion and recognize the power of Sunday school culture

The church is a matter of first importance, it is a safeguard for society and makes a community more desirable as a place of residence

There is no substitute for public worship The church going habit is among the greatest assets of civilization Religious literature is a mighty power and broadcasted sermons are of vast influence but they do not supplant the need of the church with its service of worship

We may worship in "God's out of doors," but it does not take the place of a community reverently gathering at the altars of the church with minds and hearts open to the presence of God.

The prosperity of our city and the beautification of our city depend in the small measure upon our interest in the "eternal verities" Because we want the best for our city, we want religion to have a supreme place in the thought of the people.

Let us go to church that we may join with others in the worship of God Let us set an example before the world that may inspire others to the higher levels Let us find the hallowed fellowship of service and communion with Him Let us gain that spiritual power and refreshment which God bestows only upon those who call upon His name.

### Methodist Church South

Last Sunday the weather was fine the attendance at Sunday school, preaching services and Epworth League was very encouraging We had a day of inspiration and spiritual blessings Our Sunday work is closing up in fine shape We still have a deficit on conference claims, but we must make this up in full, and register 100 per cent at the meeting of our annual conference, as we did last year We have in a land of prosperity Our church is no longer weak and struggling "We can do all things through Christ who strengthneth us"

At the morning hour our pastor used as a text "Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee" Isaiah 60 1 This was a sermon filled with historical facts, figures inspiration and spiritual information Some of the saints ought to have shouted but we did not hear them Perhaps they shouted secretly in their souls

The Epworth League service was held in the tent nearest the church Miss Margaret Hastings conducted the meeting in her usual impressive and very becoming manner All the young people did their parts splendidly Next Sunday evening they will open their meeting promptly at 6 45 Let all our young people attend this meeting in the tent, and come on time

At the evening hour we had a revival service Our pastor gave us a revival sermon from the latter verses in the tenth chapter of St Mark "The blind man received sight" A lovely young girl came forward, gave her heart to Jesus, dedicated her life to Christ, united with the church, and will be baptized next Sunday morning and received into full membership with others who are coming in at that time

Our mid week prayer meetings are in some respects the best services we have God always meets us in blessed power Heaven and earth draw very near to each other on every Wednesday night in our church on the corner of Douglas and Palmetto streets Those who are absent cannot realize what a spiritual feast this most lovely week Strangers and visitors are cordially invited

Lyman G Colbert chairman of the national committee of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, in the 1884 campaign No 68 Prince street in that city where President James Monroe died and died in the association has found of $1 000 to give Milton Jones Howard Monroe of Jacksonville who claims to be 109 years old and the son of the former president in his efforts to establish his claim The man is well known particularly among Jacksonville and has on a shack near the banks of the St Johns river He says he was born July 4, 1815

# Church Notes

**Congregational Church**—
William Hathaway Pound, minister

Church school at 10 a m Dr Robinson, superintendent
Morning subject "Take a Tree"
Evening subject "Builders and Dividers"
Midweek service Wednesday evening at 7 30
A cordial invitation to all services.

**First Baptist Church**—
Blanchard D Law, pastor, residence, Washington street
Sunday school, 10 a m Superintendent, M W Ashton
11 a m, "Strengthen the Things That Remain"
7 30 p m, "So Near and Yet So Far"
7 15, Teachers' meeting Wednesday
7 45 Wednesday, prayer and praise service
8 30, chorus choir practice
Senior B Y P U 6 45
Sunday night service 7 30
A cordial invitation is extended to the public to all services

**Southern Methodist Church**—
T L Z Barr, pastor
Corner Douglass and Palmetto streets.
Sunday school at 10 a m, T L Greer, superintendent
Preaching at 11 00 a m and 7 30 p m
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 30 o'clock
Welcome to all

**First Methodist Episcopal Church**—
Faulkner street near public school
Parsonage next to church Rev W F Ernsberger, pastor
Sunday school 10 a m
Preaching 11 a m and 7 30 p m
Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 30
Everybody welcome
Lee Scalf Sunday school superintendent Mrs Van Hook, church financial secretary M A Brunson, budget treasurer S R Ingersoll, president official board and church correspondent

**Coronado M E Church**
Morning worship 9 30 a m
Sunday school 10 45 a m
Prayer meeting Thursday 7 30
Everybody welcome
H C Longstreet, S S Supt, and church budget treasurer
W F Ernsberger, pastor

**Catholic Church**—
Dr Faulkner street
Mass Sunday, 7 30 a m

**Seventh Day Adventist**—
Orange street, Sabbath school at 10 a m, F H Thompson, superintendent
Church services at 11 15, Ira D Sylagle elder,
Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7 45 All are welcome

**Christian Science Services**—
In the church edifice, corner Live Oak street and Lytle avenue
Sunday, 11 a m
Sunday school, 9 45 a m
Wednesday evening, 7 45
Reading room open Wednesday and Saturday from 3 to 5
All are welcome

**St Paul's Episcopal Church**—
Palmetto street, one block from Fidelity bank Rev J C Morsdon, B A, rector
Sunday, Nov 16, 10 a m, church school
11 a m, Holy Communion and sermon

### Baptist Notes

The annual union Thanksgiving service falls due this year at our church, with Rev Barr of the Southern Methodist church to deliver the sermon We expect every one to lay aside other duties to attend this hour of Thanksgiving worship on this day

We are glad to welcome back to our regular attendance the Hodder family, the McLean family, also the Frye family They have been greatly missed during their absence We were so glad to receive the good news of the improved condition of Frank Ingersoll, who is now in St Augustine

Lee Jernigan, brother of our H A Jernigan, spent several days in New Smyrna and vicinity

Those present at the last Wednesday night services enjoyed a beautiful address by Brother Felman a Jewish Christian worker the Sunday school workers' council was brought before the business meeting of the 19th

The W M U that meets at 3 p m next week on Tuesday will be announced Sunday with whom

The children between the ages of six and nine years who are members of the Sunbeam are to meet with Mrs Burgess at the church Saturday at 3 p m

### First M E Church

There was a goodly attendance at the morning circuit Sunday and our pastor spoke to mother of his helpful sermon and while the offering was being taken a song meeting was held Prayer was offered and the congregation joined in the service and we felt the presence of God

Next Sunday the Rev Dr Cummings will be with us and will preach at both the morning and evening services Dr Cummings is formerly our pastor and will need no introduction to many of us A large congregation should turn out to hear this noted and forceful pulpit and will bring us one sermon that should interest all who come to hear him

Strangers in the city are always welcome to worship with us

THE NEWS FOR PRINTING

### LOW TIDES ON THE BEACH—1924

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Among clauses in the will of the late Joseph R Mickler, of St Augustine, was one to pay the Tampa Times $2,700 for the publication of three books relating to the Catholic church and its principles The Faith of Our Fathers, by Cardinal Gibbons, The Prince of the Apostles, and God and Myself It is provided a chapter each week be published from these books in the order named According to language of the will this provision is made "in the hope and belief that the publication of these books I here in designate may produce harmony and good will among our Catholic people and their non Catholic friends" Requests were made to various relatives, churches, schools and charities. He was owner of the Thrift-Service chain stores

Did you ever see the Florida state flag? One can be seen in the office of Secretary of State Crawford at Tallahassee


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This 31st day of October 1924
SUSA LOWE NETTLES
(oct 31-dec 26)

Helen Harcourt, in her book entitled "Home Life in Florida," says "The cheapest and best farmer's paint is nothing but sweet skimmed milk and water lime (cement) The chemical union that takes place between the lime and casein of the milk probably produces the film of cement that endures the weather for years The water lime and skimmed milk are mixed together to a proper consistency to apply with a brush This paint adheres well to wood, stone mortar or brick where oil has not been previously used, and forms a very hard substance as durable as the best oil paint It can be colored to suit


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Gen A H Blanding, manager of the Highland, Lake county, citrus sub exchange, reports the organization of the Howey Citrus Growers' association as the latest addition to the ranks of the Florida Citrus Exchange Its officers are W J Howey, president and treasurer, M G Howey, vice president and S K Mars, secretary. The association will ship its fruit this season through the packing house of the Clermont Citrus Growers' association It controls more than 10,000 boxes of oranges and grapefruit


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No 86—Coaches & Pullman 9.20 am
No 30—Coaches and Parlor car 2 40 pm
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Next week Thursday being Thanksgiving day the News will be printed *Wednesday evening instead of Thursday afternoon* the usual time of going to press that the employes may be given the opportunity to enjoy Thanksgiving day as a holiday All advertising and news copy must be in the office not later than Wednesday morning

## Golf Here to Stay

The opening of the golf season by the New Smyrna Golf and Country club the afternoon of Thanksgiving day marks a new era in the history of New Smyrna It means that golf is here to stay and that this merely is the beginning of putting *New Smyrna in the list of progressive* Florida cities where golf offers one of the real attractions of the community With about 70 local citizens as members of the new golf club and all enthusiastic to make the club a success there will be no denying this success and golf is here to stay

New Smyrna has been slow to get in the line of golf towns although it has long been realized that a good golf course was much needed here There has been lacking the proper boosting leadership to put the golf grounds over as a community asset until the new Exchange club got behind the movement and shoved it over the top

Soon after his arrival here Robert Handley realized the need of a good golf course and immediately set about establishing such a course Mr Handley is not the kind of man to toot his own horn or boost his own game and while realizing that his efforts were doing much to help establish golf here the local people did not rally to his support as they should have done

*Not discouraged however* and still realizing the need of the golf course Mr Handley turned the matter over to the Exchange club with the assurance that he was still as much interested in the matter as ever and would do his share to help make it a success

The result of the efforts of the Exchange club show in the fact that New Smyrna now has a fine golf course and with the improvements and enlargements contemplated will soon have one of the finest courses to be found in the state of Florida, a state noted for its fine golf grounds

The spirit of the people is behind the matter now and if this boosting spirit keeps up we may expect many notables to try out the New Smyrna course during the next few years

That golf is destined to play *an important part in the development* of the community is proven by the fact that plans are now being carried out by Fuquay & Rogers for the establishment of a fine 18 hole golf course in connection with their new development at New Smyrna Beach and additional golf courses will come as the community grows

Mr and Mrs A L Kappauf of Sunbury Ohio Point Michigan will spend the winter at the home of the latter parents Mr and Mrs Chas Ebenbeck

## ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

The Associated Charities is more active now than ever before and the committee is at work soliciting annual membership for this organization The business houses are asked $5 00 and individuals $1 00 per year and with the financial support of everyone all local cases can be reported to the association and handled Every place of business has not been reached and amounts will be added as pledged All persons desiring a membership will kindly confer with any of the officers or soliciting committee President Mrs Geo Ott secretary Mrs E M Little treasurer Mrs J T Courtney All of the above ladies as also Mr J C Hill and Mrs C J Norman are soliciting memberships

All cases reported will be referred to the investigating committee and immediately acted upon This committee is composed of Mrs T Moore Mrs W Griffin Mrs D N Dishmon The Masonic hall has been donated as a regular meeting place and date of monthly meetings will be announced later

The present officers took over the work and funds of the organization February 2 1923 with $106 53 in the treasury The officers at that time were President L H Elias secretary Mrs T Moore treasurer Mrs H E Childress

Following is a report of present committee year 1924

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| Elias family groceries | $ 6 00 |
| Dowling family groceries | 6 00 |
| Mrs Grey groceries | 2 00 |
| Funeral of S B Harrell infant | 10 00 |
| Printing membership cards receipt etc | 9 25 |
| Year 1924 | |
| To Rev Law (for Mr Reed's funeral) | 10 00 |
| Mrs Higginbotham (rent) | 10 00 |
| Dr Chenning (services) | 8 00 |
| Davis family grocerie | 4 40 |
| Davis family groceries | 4 50 |
| Darty Rhodes groceries | 4 00 |
| Total expended | $87 15 |

Besides the donations of clothes a mattress and other articles have been collected and given to charity cases Donations of men's clothes are solicited same to be given to Mr Ott for discharged prisoners who if properly clothed could find employment and be given a chance to make good

Following is a list of membership for 1925 all of which have not been collected as yet

| | |
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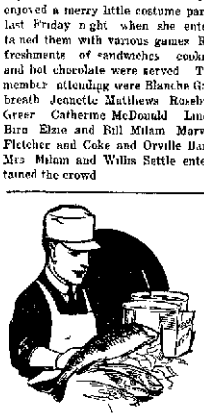
| Fidelity bank | $ 5 00 |
| State Bank | 5 00 |
| New Smyrna News | 5 00 |
| Blount Motor Co | 5 00 |
| Sisbee Garage | 5 00 |
| Reed's Garage | 5 00 |
| Little Drug store | 5 00 |
| Woman's club | 5 00 |
| New Smyrna Pharmacy | 5 00 |
| Griffins Drug store | 5 00 |
| New York Dept store | 5 00 |
| L H Elias | 5 00 |
| W P Shryock | 5 00 |
| Houchelle & Sams | 5 00 |
| R S Maley | 5 00 |
| Riley Millinery | 5 00 |
| Smith's Jewelry store | 5 00 |
| H J Waters | 5 00 |
| Piggly Wiggly and Market | 5 00 |
| Ivey & Fuller | 5 00 |
| The R V Douglas Co | 5 00 |
| Swoope Grocery Co | 5 00 |
| Wilson & Scar | 3 00 |
| E A Latham | 2 00 |
| D P Smith | 3 00 |
| I N Newell | 2 00 |
| J C Hill | 2 00 |
| Mrs Ed Wilson | 1 00 |
| Mrs J K Hildreth | 1 00 |
| Mr W T Goodyear | 1 00 |
| Lee Scalf | 1 00 |
| Mrs A Q Brooks | 1 00 |
| J S Duss | 1 00 |
| Mrs D Werfleman | 1 00 |
| Dad Peters | 1 00 |
| D C Silvers | 1 00 |
| Mrs T H Moore | 1 00 |
| F L Mathes | 1 00 |
| Mrs F N Holley | 1 00 |
| Mrs T L Howell | 1 00 |
| Mrs E L McAulay | 1 00 |
| Mrs E M Webster | 1 00 |
| Mrs A Cahill | 1 00 |
| Mr S Ross | 1 00 |
| Mrs J W Denis | 1 00 |
| Mrs J D Wolfe | 1 00 |
| Mrs C O Beeney | 1 00 |
| William Small | 2 00 |
| S L Hayes | 2 00 |
| Mrs W A Hayes | 1 00 |
| Mrs A Means | 1 00 |
| Mrs J O Burch | 1 00 |
| I Smith | 1 00 |
| Mr M S Colee | 1 00 |
| Mrs S J Pence | 1 00 |
| Mrs S M Veronee | 1 00 |
| Mrs Lbenbeck | 1 00 |
| Mr Houghton | 2 00 |
| Mrs J E Morris | 1 00 |
| Mrs J T Courtney | 1 00 |
| Mrs Harry Osteen | 1 00 |
| Mr W W Farrell | 1 00 |
| Balance in bank | $201 68 |
| Pledges uncollected | 42 50 |

MRS E M LITTLE Sec

The young members of the Sunday school class of Mrs Milam Stevens enjoyed a merry little costume party last Friday night when she entertained them with various games Refreshments of sandwiches cookies and hot chocolate were served The members attending were Blanche Galbreath Jeanette Matthews Rosebud Greer Catherine McDonald Linda Birn Elma and Bill Milam Marvin Fletcher and Coke and Orville Barr Mrs Milam and Willis Settle entertained the crowd



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# Locals

J W Lamparter of Circleville, O, is the guest of J P Antill

Born to Mr and Mrs J C Chapman Friday a daughter, in Deland

Mrs S Ross and Mrs Frank Fuller were visitors to Daytona Saturday

Mr and Mrs Al Turner motored to Jacksonville Sunday returning Monday

Earl Alderman went to Melbourne last week where he expects to locate permanently

Mrs Harry Pomor and daughter Verne returned Friday from a week's visit to Jacksonville

Mr and Mrs Wm Platt arrived last Thursday from Two Harbors, Mich and are located for the season at E Eamer's on Palmetto street The Platts spent last winter here Mr Platt is employed as engineer on the F E C railroad

Mr and Mrs P R Lopez and children motored to Del and Sunday

Mrs P N Holley Mr and Mrs James White and Mr and Mrs Chas White motored to DeLand Sunday

Mrs W M Skipper returned this week from Raleigh N C, where she made an extended visit to relatives

Mrs Mary E Latham came down from Daytona and spent the week end at the home of her son F A Latham

Mr and Mrs E A Latham and Mrs Mary Latham motored to Tampa Sunday for a few days visit to relatives

Rev J B Culpepper and son John B returned from Orlando the first of the week where they held a revival service

Mr and Mrs F L Howell returned the first of the week from a business trip of several days to Jacksonville

Mr and Mrs Comsford have moved from Mr Holley's and are located at the S A Galbreath's house on Faulkner street

The management of the Victoria Theater extends complimentaries and a cordial invitation to every member of the Silsby Motor Company to attend "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" to be presented at the Victoria Friday night, November 21

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## Exchange Club Gives Trophy for Golf Tournament

For the purpose of stimulating interest in golf here and making it interesting for the local people the New Smyrna Exchange club will offer a trophy for a tournament to be played during the winter months C H Sams has been delegated to prepare the rule and regulations for the tournament which will probably be played in January or February It will be necessary to win the cup two or three years in succession to obtain permanent ownership

## Major Braxton Unable to Come Here Tuesday

Because of an attack of illness Major J M Braxton was unable to come here Tuesday for his scheduled talk to the members of the Exchange club on his tour of inspection and investigation along the East Coast inland waterway

A telegram received by Secretary Behne of the Exchange club Monday announced that Major Braxton was confined to his bed by illness

Word received by the secretary of the Exchange club later was to the effect that the engineer is improving and hopes to be able to get to this city by next Tuesday for his talk before the Exchange club and that his assistant Col Wheeler will be in New Smyrna the last part of this week

Major Braxton has been employed by the East Coast Association of Chambers of Commerce to gather data and statistics to be presented to the United States war department supporting the efforts to obtain government ownership and maintenance of the East Coast inland waterway This work will take him several months and he plans to visit all points along the waterway in gathering this information

He had planned while here to investigate and inspect Mosquito inlet to get an idea of the location and character of the inlet and obtain data which will be used in compiling his statistics Arrangements had been made to take him to the inlet in a boat and this trip will be made next week if Major Braxton is able to come here as planned

J R Bush made a business trip to Deland Tuesday

Mrs Chas Battle spent Wednesday in St Augustine

J E Morris was a business visitor to St Augustine Wednesday

Mrs C O Williams went to Tampa Wednesday to visit her sister

Mrs T L Z Burt returned Wednesday from Dade City where he was called by the illness of her daughter Mrs Myra Burt whose condition is much improved

Miss Anne Turner and Mrs F L Moore are enjoying a motor trip this week to Jacksonville Gainesville Sanford and Orlando They are making the trip in the former's new car

News has been received of the birth of a 12 pound daughter Wednesday to Mr and Mrs Jas Brewer of St Lucie at Fort Pierce Mrs Brewer was formerly Miss Sallie Buck

Mrs Earl S Bowden returned home this week from a visit of five weeks in Johnstown Pa She was accompanied to Florida by Mr Bowden father J J Bowden who will spend a few weeks here with his son and wife

Saturday the Woman's club will put on a tag day to raise the balance due from them for the high school athletic field The tags will be in charge of Mrs A R Ivey with the teachers of the high school acting as captains of the different teams at work

The missionary society of the M E church South, held a study circle at the church Tuesday afternoon the subject being 'Rebecca' The ladies have perfected plans for a bazaar to be given December 2 and 3 in the lobby of the Victoria theater They also have a committee at work on a cafeteria supper to be given December 2 at the Woman's club

Mrs G A Jackson and Mrs H C Phillips were hostesses to a kids party Monday night from 7 to 9 at the home of Mrs Phillips when a match pullow and weenie roast were planned as a pastime for the little folk Games were played on the lawn proving an a delightful evening The young invited guests were Dwanna Lindsey Moore Sibley and Billy Wright Hopsel and Offord Mrs F A Nelson and Junior Price Dorothy Randolph Jackson Culbreath and Billy and Beach Vincent

## Douglas Gets Contract New School Building

D J Douglas of this city has been awarded by the county school board the contract for the construction of the new public school building at Port Orange the contract price for the completion of the structure being $31 890 Mr Douglas is now preparing to begin work on the new school building

Mr Douglas is now carrying on contracts amounting to a total of $74 000 in new school buildings and additions to old school buildings in Daytona and is the largest contractor in the county on public school building work In addition to these contracts Mr Douglas is also building a residence to the value of $10 000 for M B Wheeler at Wilbur by the Sea and a number of local contracts

## Grocery Stores to Be Closed Thanksgiving

That the proprietors and employes may enjoy the full benefit of Thanksgiving day as a holiday the majority of the grocery stores of the city as well as the other business places have agreed to close their places of business all day next week Thursday November 27 It has been customary for most business places to close all day Thanksgiving but the grocery stores have been kept open in the morning to permit late purchasers to prepare for the big dinner of the day This year however it will be necessary for the housewives to make their purchases the day before the following grocery stores having agreed to remain closed all day Swoope Grocery company Piggly Wiggly Moore's market Ivey & Fuller Cash and Carry store the R V Douglas Co J C Jones Conely's grocery, Independent Stores Co Oscar Clifton W P Shryock

## Interesting Meeting of Woman's Club

The meeting of the Woman's club Monday was well attended and everyone enjoyed Prof Goulding's talk his subject being Our Local Educational System Its Present Attainment Its Needs Supt Marks was unable to be present but sent a chart and drawing of the proposed new school building

Mrs Russell Lirett presented the club with a lovely kitchen cabinet which was much appreciated

The names of Mesdames Smith W W White J H Johnson and T B Bird were admitted to membership Mrs Wm Berger gave an interesting report on the county federation meeting held in Ormond last week

Mrs Lovejoy presented the club with a check for $150 to install a heating plant at once

D J Douglas contractor presented a bid for $637 as a price on finishing the flooring including the auditorium and lobby After the meeting the members were invited into the small dining room which looked attractive with autumn flowers and were served several kinds of sandwiches and hot coffee Mesdames Sams Berger Bergen Antrim and Sanders were hostesses for the afternoon

**Sparks Circus in Daytona**

Friday November 28 afternoon and evening under huge masses of canvas the finest circus ever made by the ingenuity and courage of men will parade and show in Daytona to make the young folks happy and the old folks young The great parade is on Friday morning at 10 30 o'clock First of all a real wild animal circus is a 1924 acquisition having been imported from the world's greatest wild animal training quarters at Stellingen, Germany included in these displays will be found lions tigers leopards polar and grizzly bears—even trained ostriches will be seen in addition to the Sparks group of sixteen rarities horses the two elephant herds fancy gaited and pacing horses, the Bibb county pig circus, Captain Tieber's seals and hosts of others of a novel nature The circus proper opens with an elaborately staged spectacle Echoes from the Reign of King Tut in which all of the animals performers premier dancers and a large chorus participate As a fitting finish to the all feature performance a genuine English fox hunt introducing real fresh bred high jumpers broad jumpers and perfectly schooled fox hound will replace the old time and very dangerous chariot races usually to be found with other circuses Don't forget the date Daytona Friday Nov 28th

The officers of the Baptist church have extended calls to Rev Mr Moore of Mr J F Morris Mr G B Thomas Mr L D Law

## Day Following Thanksgiving School Holiday

To give the teachers and pupils a rest from their work and an opportunity to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday the county school board has decreed that the schools of the county shall be dismissed Wednesday afternoon of next week and not reopen until the following Monday morning, permitting the Friday following Thanksgiving as a holiday However the teachers and pupils must make up this day by carrying on the school work through some succeeding Saturday

**Birthday Surprise Party**

The home of Mrs J C Hill was the scene of a delightful surprise party given in honor of her birthday anniversary Friday night A delightful evening was enjoyed by the guests as the Hill home is an ideal place for a jolly good time Games and contests passed away a delightful evening Refreshments of sandwiches pickles cake and coffee were served Those attending were Mrs A Cahill R W Jones W J Griffin, M E Langford C J Norman Theo Hulinger J Inman E M Little J H Wolfe Ed Eamer J W Deals Walter White S Ross F Fuller F N Holley E L MacAulay, A Q Brooks and Duren

Until further notice mass will be celebrated at 10 a m Sundays at the Catholic church Rev Fr Comer, who has been seriously ill all summer in a hospital in Philadelphia has returned to DeLand, and will conduct services here Sunday

**NOTICE**

All electric and water bills not paid by Monday November 24 the service will be cut out and remain disconnected until such bills are paid and an additional charge paid for reconnecting

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# CORONADO NEWS

Dr. W. L. Schnaiterly was greeting old friends again upon his arrival at his Pennsylvania cottage Monday.

Tuesday was a good bass day on the bridge and a large number of mullet was taken by cast nets in the river. Both the oldtimers and the newcomers are enjoying the fall fishing immensely.

Mayor W. J. S. Carr and son, L. S. Carr, motored to Kissimmee to attend to business matters and to see the high school teams in their football game. They took some of the team with them in their Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodd of Atlanta, Ga., are guests at the Riverview hotel.

R. M. Folsom of St. Louis is registered at the Riverview.

L. B. Miller of Cleveland, owner and developer of the Miller subdivision north of Flager street, is here in the interest of his new development. He is registered at the Riverview hotel. The tract is cleared and the work of grading was started last week. Mr. Miller says there will be no finer subdivision north of Miami than this one.

Rex Ryan has purchased one of Mr. Ronan's lots on Smith street, and will probably build on it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. West, who always stop over for a few weeks in the fall, left for Tampa and other points Tuesday morning.

Mrs. B. L. Burritt and Mrs. Fisk were in Daytona on a shopping trip the last of the week.

William Kelly of Reading, Pa., who has been at the Oceanview hotel for some days, has returned north.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Hull of Heavener, Okla., were week-end visitors at the Ocean View hotel, and will return later for a period of two months.

Mayor and Mrs. W. J. S. Carr have had as their guests for some days L. A. Hamilton and daughter, Isabel, both of Toronto, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Tate and Mr. Ivan Peake of Oxfordshire, England. Mr. Hamilton was for a number of years connected with the Canadian Pacific railroad in an important executive position and is one of the men high in railroad counsels.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cain, from near Cleveland, Ohio, arrived at their beautiful cottage on Peninsular avenue Tuesday.

Another capacity house enjoyed the most excellent dinner at the Riverview hotel last Sunday.

The new store buildings of Mr. Lyons and Mr. Dickinson are nearing completion and will soon be ready for the stock of goods to appear on the shelves.

The Exchange club gathered at the Riverview hotel for their weekly luncheon Tuesday.

## *Osteen Notes*

We are glad to say that our community sing is well attended. It is held every Sunday night at 7 o'clock in the Methodist church.

A number of people attended our Sunday school in response to a special invitation sent to each family. We hope more will come.

Glen Tyler is driving a new Oldsmobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Veion, who have been spending the summer in Vermont, returned a few days ago.

The young folks enjoyed a marshmallow toast out on the old barbecue grounds last Wednesday night.

H. S. Long has installed a new Pan-Am gasoline and oil station in front of his store, Cash Supply company.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Usher and their two children have gone to Ocala.

Word has been received that the Farmton canal ridge has been completed.

The old road between here and Enterprise is fairly passable.

The water is going down off of the Sanford road, and Monday the trucks began hauling rock to fix it. It will soon be passable.

T. A. Brown, county demonstration agent, of DeLand, was here one day last week in the interest of the fair work.

Roy Harden of Orange City was a business caller here last week.

Herman Gunter, Florida state geologist, has issued a bulletin in which he says that "water is more extensively prospected for, produced and utilized the world over, and affects the life and welfare of more people than does any other mineral. The instances are numerous in which valuable mineral deposits have been drilled through without being detected owing to the fact that the samples of drilling from the well were not preserved and examined by some one competent to judge their character." He urges individuals and municipalities engaged in putting down wells to get in touch with him so that data of what may be of practical value to the state may be had, besides giving an opportunity to study the substructure and underground features of the state.

The Clyde steamship line will extend service to Miami, beginning in November.

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## REPORT OF CITY AUDITOR AND CLERK
### FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1924

| | | | Balance on hand Nov. 1. |
|---|---|---|---|
| **GENERAL FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct 1 | $ 1,372.69 | | |
| Received: Licenses | 1,600.00 | | |
| Court Fines | 373.00 | | |
| Hose Reel Sold | 25.00 | | |
| Dog Tax | 3.00 | | |
| House Numbers Sold | 2.00 | | |
| Building Permits | 5.00 | | |
| Old Check No. 632 Voided | 5.00 | | |
| Transfer from Canal Fund | 461.79 | | |
| | 2,371.79 | | |
| | 3,744.48 | | |
| Disbursed | $ 2,583.45 | $ 1,161.03 | |
| **WATER AND ELECTRIC FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | $ 7,858.82 | | |
| Received: Light Rentals | 3,663.81 | | |
| Water Rentals | 1,086.62 | | |
| Electric Permits | 8.50 | | |
| Electric Service Lines | 160.00 | | |
| Water Taps | 50.00 | | |
| Old Check Voided | 14.74 | | |
| Hawks Park Light Rentals (Transfer) | 182.00 | | |
| Coronado Light Rentals (Transfer) | 238.36 | | |
| Electrical Appliance Fund (Transfer) | 22.88 | | |
| Electric Plant Time Warrants Sold | 7,000.00 | | |
| | 12,496.91 | | |
| | 20,355.73 | | |
| Disbursed in October | 4,543.16 | $15,807.51 | |
| **PUBLICITY FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | $ 1,561.21 | | |
| Disbursed in October | 78.00 | $ 1,483.21 | |
| **METER FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | $ 965.00 | | |
| Meter Deposits Received | 110.00 | | |
| | 1,075.00 | | |
| Deposits Refunded | 35.00 | $ 1,040.00 | |
| **INTEREST FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 112.17 | | |
| Disbursed in October | 111.10 | $ 1.17 | |
| **SEWER FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 102.70 | | |
| Received from Sewer Permits | 5.00 | $ 1 | |
| **CORONADO AND HAWKS PARK REFUND ACCOUNTS** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 860.72 | | |
| Refunded to State Bank Trustee | 430.36 | | |
| Transferred to Water and Electric Fund | 430.36 | | |
| | 860.72 | | |
| Received from Rentals | 201.41 | | |
| Received from advances for construction: | | | |
| M. B. Haughton, Hawks Park | 60.00 | | |
| Mr. Lohman, Hawks Park | 60.00 | $ 3 | |
| **IMPROVEMENT REDEMPTION FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 2,892.27 | | |
| Received from Sewer Liens | 6.00 | | |
| Received from Sewer Liens Interest | 1.08 | $ 2,8 | |
| **ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 22.88 | | |
| Transferred to Water and Electric Account | 22.88 | | |
| **CANAL IMPROVEMENT FUND** | | | |
| Balance in Banks Oct. 1 | 451.79 | | |
| Transferred to General Fund | 451.79 | | |
| The following accounts were unchanged in October: | | | |
| Sewer Sinking Fund | | | $10,7 |
| Funding Sinking Fund | | | $ 4,6 |
| Water Sinking Fund | | | $10,5 |
| Electric Sinking Fund | | | $11,5 |
| Canal Improvement Fund | | | $ 4,6 |
| Fire Department Fund | | | $ 1,6 |
| Building Fund | | | $ 2 |
| | | | $69,7 |
| **SUMMARY** | | | |
| Total on hand October 1, 1924 | $63,132.05 | | |
| Total received in October | 14,407.16 | | |
| | $77,539.21 | | |
| Total disbursed in October | 7,785.97 | | |
| Total on hand Nov. 1, 1924 | $69,753.24 | | |

Attest: R. L. MUDCETT,
City Clerk and Auditor


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# ORDINANCE NO. 141

AN ORDINANCE to Declare the Intention of the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to Change the Present Territorial Limits of the said City by the Annexation of an Unincorporated Tract of Land Containing Less Than Ten Registered Voters, and Lying Contiguous to the Present Territorial Limits of said City and Within the Same County, to-wit, Volusia County; Said Territory to be Annexed at the Expiration of Thirty Days from the Approval of this Ordinance, and to Provide for the Publication of This Ordinance as is Required by Law.

WHEREAS, the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, desires to change its territorial limits by the annexation of the hereinafter described unincorporated tract of land lying contiguous thereto and within the same County, and

WHEREAS, said tract of land will eventually represent the actual outgrowth of New Smyrna beyond its present territorial limits, and

WHEREAS, said tract of land is valuable by reason of its adaptability for city uses, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, deems it advisable, expedient and for the best interests of said City that the unincorporated tract of land hereinafter describle be annexed to said City, now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, hereby declares its intention to annex all that territory located in Volusia County, Florida, and comprehended and included within the following limits and boundaries, that is to say: Commencing at the intersection of the north and west corporate boundaries of the City of New Smyrna and running northerly along a prolongation of the west corporate line of the City of New Smyrna to the point of its intersection with the west line of the Ambrose Hull Grant; thence northerly along the west line of the Ambrose Hull Grant to the south line of the Lindsey Todd Grant; thence easterly along the south line of the Lindsey Todd Grant, and along this line prolonged to the point of its intersection with the center of the main channel of the Indian River North; thence southerly along the center of the channel of the Indian River North to the point of its intersection with the present easterly boundary of the corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna; thence northerly and along the present easterly corporate boundary of the City of New Smyrna, to the northeast corner of the present corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna; thence westerly and along the present northern corporate boundary of the City of New Smyrna, to point of beginning, at the expiration of thirty days from the approval of this ordinance.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the New Smyrna News, a newspaper of general circulation, published in the city of New Smyrna.

Section 3. The requirement of reading this ordinance at two regular meetings not less than one week apart be and the same is hereby dispensed with by unanimous vote of the City Commission.

Section 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Passed and approved as provided by law by the unanimous vote of the City Commission this 19th day of November, A. D. 1924, the vote of the Commission being as follows:

P. L. GADDIS, not present.
Mayor and Commissioner.
W. C. CROWNING, yes.
Acting Mayor-Commissioner.
W. E. SWOOPE, yes.
Commissioner.
Attest: R. L. MUDGETT,
City Auditor and Clerk.
(Corporate Seal)
(nov 14-dec 12)

The United States weather and crop bulletin for the week ending October 14 shows freezing weather in the East as far south as Virginia, and in all of the states west of the Rocky mountains. The rainfall was general, the highest being reported at New Smyrna, Florida.

The United States commissioner of pensions for 1923 reported 4,059 federal pensioners in Florida, to whom payments were made amounting to $12,000 less than two million dollars.

"Climate," says Humboldt in his great book entitled "Cosmos," "taken in its general sense indicates all the changes in the atmosphere that sensibly affects our organs, as temperature, humidity, fluctuation of barometer, pressure, quietness of the atmosphere, *wind direction, force and* action, purity of the atmosphere and its admixture with vapor or noxious exhalations of gaseous matter, transparency and clearness of sky in its relation to radiation of heat, to the organic development of plants, etc., also with reference to its influence on the feeling and mental condition of mankind." In relation to these manifold elements of climate, Florida occupies a most favorable position. Evaporation from its many lakes and rivers gives us a mild climate, combined with the winds from surrounding seas bringing in air free from dust and noxious vapors.

A map of America issued in 1550 shows only two names familiar today. Florida was featured as "Terra Florida," as appeared to most of the continent while Cuba was a large island just south of "Terra Florida." A narrow belt of water separated the *continent from "India Supecior."*

It is said that the orange, instead of the apple, was the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden, and that Eve 8-1 and Adam 8-1-2. Apples are not grown in the Holy Land, but oranges are.


# FOOTBALL

# Thanksgiving Day

## NEW SMYRNA ATHLETIC CLUB

*vs*

## FORT LAUDERDALE TARPONS

*SAMS' LOT, Faulkner St., 3 p. m.*

This will be the best football game of the season in New Smyrna and everybody is urged to attend.

The New Smyrna boys are determined to get revenge for the 13 to 0 defeat at the hands of the Fort Lauaderdale team Armistice day.

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**BUSH'S CASH AND CARRY**
***GROCERY AND MARKET***


Dr. Thomas Morgan by circular letter announces the founding at Hendry Creek, midway between Fort Myers and Estero, in Lee county, of a religious organization known as the Church of Ephesus. It seems to be a split off from the Koresham society of Estero. Dr. Morgan says: "Our location is ideal for isolation, and insultation ,where the Lord's people may dwell in comparative peace, when the whole world will be passing through the throes of the coming revolution." The new society has 20 acres of land, and a membership of three men. There are several buildings, and the property is well stocked with chickens and bees, with sweet potatoes as the chief crop.

*There was a large increase in shipping* inspections of carlots of farm products in 1924, compared with 1923. Thirty state marketing bureaus now cooperate with the United States department of agriculture in this work. In Florida in 1923 the inspections numbered 162, compared with 8,370 cars in 1924. Inspections in the coming season will be increased many thousands as the citrus exchange will have all of its cars inspected, besides others who have realized its value. The work in Florida will be under the direction of Robert Bier in connection with L. M. Rhodes, commissioner of the state marketing bureau at Jacksonville, whose office will be headquarters with a branch office at Orlando.

There are 29 places on the map *of Florida prefaced with the word* Fort, 14 with Saint, and 11 with Orange.


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## Four Are Killed in Railroad Wreck

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coach put on at Jacksonville to accommodate the extra passengers

A second miracle, as Mr Clemens expressed it, marked the accident A member of the Masonic lodge, who had been standing on the platform between the last two coaches started back into the passenger coach Just as he did so he met a brother Mason and stopped to shake hands with him

The two stood midway between danger and safety, one on the platform of the last Pullman car, and the other on the platform of the car which was shortly to plunge to destruction

The man standing on safe ground, looked closely at his brother Mason's pin, which was an exceptionally small one and still holding his hand pulled him into his coach, saying that he 'would like to see the pin under a better light' Just as the second man's foot left the platform the car began to sway the coupling snapped like the lash end of a long whip and the car crashed over on its side

After saving his fellow lodge member from possible death the Mason then lost him He disappeared immediately, presumably in the wreck himself and was not seen again until shortly before the train reached Miami Then it developed that he had relatives in the rear car and had gone to their rescue

Mr Clemens' description of the wreck is graphic

'I was sitting in the smoking compartment' he said "The train was running at a pretty good speed Suddenly there was a jarring almost like we were running over the ties I thought that our car had left the rails I went back to the platform and there found that the rear coach had turned over It was lying on one side and bodies were scattered in every direction

"The first thing that greeted my eyes when I stepped out of the coach was a girls body, headless and mangled One child was thrown from the car with such force that her body was almost entirely covered in the dirt Another had lost both legs The cries and groans of suffering men and women, and of those searching in the darkness for their loved ones was inexpressibly horrible

"The work of recovering the injured was started in total darkness, which handicapped us severely

"One man had a lantern and an other working on the inside of the overturned coach had a flashlight, but it was very hard to get around among the pieces of coach the shattered seats broken glass and injured passengers lying all over the ground

"We built a fire with pieces of splintered wood from the coach, then the freight train arrived and we worked in the light from the engine

"The train carried no sleepers and there was not a blanket aboard We stripped the Pullman seats of covers, used towels napkins and anything else we could get our hands on for bandages Practically every man aboard had a small supply of whiskey and I think if the vote had been taken on the eighteenth amendment that the entire train would have voted the wet ticket"

Among the four who were killed were Mrs A Lanne of Detroit Mich, and Miss Lizzie Foxton of Alpena Mich, who were en route to Miami to spend the winter

Two passengers, Mr and Mrs Myles Tierney of 122 E 51st street, New York probably owe their lives to the fact that they desired more comfortable quarters for traveling than they had upon leaving Jacksonville Shortly before the accident occurred Mr Tierney who with her husband were seated in the car that was overturned prevailed upon her husband to obtain seats in a Pullman coach They had hardly seated themselves in their new seats when the wreck occurred

Mr Tierney, in describing the accident said that no warning came to the passengers of the car in which he was seated and which was directly in front of the wrecked coach until a crashing and rumbling of the dragging rear car told them that some thing was wrong

'Luckily" he said, "the train was approaching a station and was proceeding at a slow rate of speed Had it happened a few minutes earlier many more lives would have been lost"

Upon the train coming to a stop, after the coach had been dragged about three car lengths all passengers rushed to the rescue of those imprisoned in the overturned car, and the relief was carried on for about an hour before medical help arrived Everybody on the train pitched in and did everything possible for the victims

As soon as possible the injured and dead were rushed to Fort Pierce, where a special train was made up and the more seriously injured rushed to the company hospital in St Augustine

## "Hunchback of Notre Dame" at Victoria Tonight

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame," which is claimed to be one of the greatest pictures ever filmed, will be the attraction at the Victoria theater Friday night this week Manager Small having booked a return engagement of this great picture at the urgent request of a number of persons who did not have the opportunity to see it when it was presented here last winter The film production brings Victor Hugo's novel to the screen with vastly augmented values, and the management of the Victoria is bringing the production here at this time at popular prices, reserving all of the seats so they can be purchased in advance to avoid the necessity for waiting in line to make purchases The majority of the seats are placed at lower prices and all are reserved for advance sale

## State Teachers Meet in Daytona

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followed by Willis H Sutton superintendent of schools in Atlanta, Ga

Tuesday morning will begin with a general session at the auditorium, at which addresses will be delivered by Superintendent Carlton V Gibson, of Savannah Mrs Charles D Rowe of Washington and the showing of educational motion pictures on growth of plant life by Prof Charles Herm

Tuesday evening a special closing program is to be arranged by the Florida Forum, at which all members of the association will be invited

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## Turtle Mound Is Ancient Landmark

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grants of land Turtle Mound is made as important as if it were a volcano

The explanatory note reads Mount Belvedere, called by the Indians and the Spaniards Serekee

Serekee was De Brahm's way of spelling 'surruque" And now I am coming to the most interesting part of what I have to say The Jororo Indians—a small tribe—lived in the region of Ormond, Daytona and New Smyrna, and between the sites of these towns and the St Johns, in the latter half of the XVII and the first of the XVIII centuries They may have been a mixture of the great tribes of the Timucua and the Yemasee Before them in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, the Nocoroco and Surruque Indians lived in the district, they were probably minor tribes of the Timucua In 1605 the province of Nocoroco Indians extended from the north of the Tomoka river to a little village called Caparala on the site of the present New Smyrna Caparala is the earliest name on record of an Indian settlement at this place and the village was on the boundary line between the Indians of Nocoroco and those of Surruque to the south There was Surruque a very important town on the west bank of the Lagoon of Surruque (which was part of the Rio d'Ays or Indian river), this town was about five miles north of the Haul over, there was also Surruque el Viejo (Old Surruque) about five miles further north on the west bank, and the Mound of Surruque, about eight miles or more north of Surruque el Viejo but on the east bank of the Lagoon This is our friend, Turtle Mound

In 1605, Florida had a progressive governor ,Pedro de Ybarra, and among the soldiers at the presidio of Saint Augustine was a man called Alvaro or Albaro Mexia, brave clever and talented, and very loyal to Ybarra and King Philip III of Spain Ybarra told him that he wanted to enter into good relations with the Indians of the southern coast and asked him to go down the Rio d'Ays, below Cape Canaveral all the way to the Barra de Ays (Indian River Inlet), and visit the chief of the Ays Indians who belonged to a totally different race from all those who lived north of the cape This Cacique was a famous Indian called El Capitan Grande, the Big Captain, his second in command was El Capitana Chico, the Little Captain, another famous Indian

Mexia was to write a report of his voyage and make a map of the country The result was a great friendship between Governor de Ybarra, Mexica and the Indians all the way from St Augustine to Indian river inlet and the most curious map of Florida in the early seventeenth century in existence today The original is in Spain and I have a copy in my possession The site of Turtle Mound is marked on it barandero de su Roc X

"Barradero" is the old form of the Spanish word "varadero," which nowadays means a shipyard, and in 1605 meant a place where the Indians kept their canoes This is what Mexia says of Turtle Mound (my translation)

'The river (south of Caparaca) pursues its way to the southeast, with sand mounds and palmetto groves and hillocks of low evergreen oaks on its east bank, it makes many turns and twists, and passes at the foot of the mound which they call the mound of Surruque, this is a hill of oyster shells and short grass, and at the foot of the said hill the Indians of Surruque launch their canoes to go to sea"

At the place where Turtle Mound is situated, the strip of land between the Indian river and the ocean is very narrow

Surruque is the most ancient name of Turtle Mound It is unnecessary to give here all its different variations in spelling The town of Surruque even appears prominently on Le Moyne's map, published by De Bry in 1591 (see a reproduction of it in Lowery's admirable book, "The Spanish Settlements Within the Present Limits of the United States," second series opposite page 28) Le Moyne calls it "Sorochos," not "Surroque," and according to him Mosquito Inlet was the river Sorochos This part of Le Moyne's map is not accurate, but on the whole it is a treasure, and the form "Sorrochos" is most interesting to us He made this *map in 1564, when he accompanied* Laudonniere, who started the ill fated settlement of Fort Carolina on the St Johns

Turtle Mound is by far the most noteworthy shell mound in Florida, and should be made known as such, and as time goes by, its history, its height and its commanding situation will make it more and more valuable as a landmark to the whole East Coast of Florida particularly to New Smyrna—more so than the tons of shell for road beds which could be taken from it

## OAK HILL NEWS

Ernest McCullough returned to Orlando early in the week, where he will again enter the hospital there for a short time

Mrs P L Wright of Coronado Beach spent the past week and here at the plant, returning home Monday morning

Inez and Ocel Cody returned to Kissimmee Saturday with their grandmother, Mrs Lanier, where they will remain and attend school

Mrs James A Clark, who has many admirers here, made our previous visits at the home of Mrs Richard Griffiths, arrived in New Smyrna last Saturday and is pleasantly located on Orange street

Little Edward McDonald, who was knocked down Friday morning by a passing automobile on the highway, has suffered more from shock than injury The fender of the car struck Edward's head, making a few gashes though not serious enough to take him to the doctor

Oak Hill presents the appearance of a much larger town this week The main attraction being a carnival which arrived Monday and seems to be pleasing both large and small

An important change in property took place recently when L L Mosby took over the Young place lying along the route of the new state high way and just at the head of the Indian river Mr Mosby is also holding as an investment about forty acres of orange land in another tract near this place A R Gray who bought the Deal home and 18 acres of bearing grove in the early spring has purchased the C F Patterson grove of ten acres located west of Oak Hill

Friends here will be interested in the following which appeared in the Winter Herald of recent date "Word has been received by Mrs J Gordon Cooke of Mims that her sister, Miss Lillie Rigg, was married in Jacksonville Wednesday, November 12, to Mr O B Smoak of Pompano, Fla After a trip of a few days they will visit in Mims before going to their new home at Pompano Miss Rigg is the daughter of Mr and Mrs S O Rigg of Alderson, W Va, and is a trained nurse, having done Red Cross work overseas during the war Mr Smoak is an ex service man, having recently received his discharge from a government hospital in North Carolina"

The officers of the Baptist church were tendered a delightful luncheon in the church parlors Wednesday night


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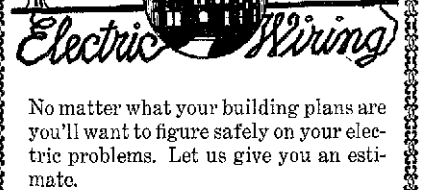


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## ORMAL OPENING OF NEW SMYRNA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB THANKSGIVING DAY

HANKSGIVING DAY November 27 1924 bringing the formal opening of the New Smyrna Golf and ntry Club will be a red letter day in the history of Smyrna

This day will bring that interest and enthusiasm in maintenance of a creditable golf course which has n long needed to put this community in the front ranks he progressive cities of Florida

No city in Florida is now considered up in the front ks without a good golf course and from this time for d New Smyrna will not only have the name of main ing a good golf course but will have the reputation eing the home of one of the finest courses to be found he state Not only that—this community will not have the name of furnishing a splendid course for the rtainment of tourists and winter visitors but will e the reputation of being a community where practi y everybody is interested in golf where practically ybody plays golf and with a golf and country club ntained by a large and enthusiastic membership

Next Thursday Thanksgiving day will mark the for opening of the new golf and country club and the golf on of 1924 1925 when a handicap tournament among nbers of the club will be the attraction of the after n From that time on through the season the golf rse will present busy scenes throughout the winter on and on through the summer as the local mem plan to keep up the interest in the game during the nonths of the year

Final plans for the tournament next Thursday after n have not yet been completed as the handicaps for members have not yet been set but the handicaps will o arranged as to make the playing interesting for all nbers

Guy Martin the new professional who will be at the grounds all during the coming year arrived here last k and has been getting acquainted with the members looking over the course prepratory to entering upon new duties and completing arrangements for the first nament Thanksgiving day

Mr Martin comes from the Maple Bluff Golf and ntry club of Madison Wisconsin where he has been aged as professional for the last five years and where has made an enviable reputation as a player Mr tin has played with some of the greatest golf players he country today and has never been in a match in ch he has not given a good account of himself

His services will be available to members of the New rna Golf and Country club at all times and he will be prepared to give instructions to amateurs whenever they desire him to do so Since he arrived here Mr Martin has inspected some of the golf courses in neighboring cities and he gives as his opinion that the New Smyrna course will be one of the finest in the state when the im provements are completed

Late President Harding Driving Off on New Smyrna Golf Links

### Golf Course a Fine One

For a number of years the business men and citizens of the New Smyrna community have realized that a good golf course was a necessary asset to this community When the need of a golf course was first talked no one seemed to want to take the initiative in getting suitable golf grounds established and the matter never reached beyond the stage of talk of the need until the arrival of Robert Handley who purchased the old Connor home place in the north part of the city and also purchased from W E Connor the tract containing the old Osceola grove which he proceeded to have cleared and prepared as a nine hole golf course

Lying almost perfectly level and with a number of orange trees scattered about the course the tract offered an ideal location for a fine golf ground Mr Handley was urged to make this investment and establishment by local people on the assurance that the local people would take a real interest in golf and would use the grounds all of the year At the same time it would furnish a splendid recreation ground for the winter visitors the golf players among whom had up to that time been compelled to go to Daytona Seabreeze Ormond and DeLand to enjoy their favorite game

It was not long after the course had been established that President Warren G Harding stopped here on his cruise down the North Indian river and accepted an invitation to play a round of golf here The late president thoroughly enjoyed his game here and declared he found it one of the sportiest courses on which he had ever played Since that time many of the country s notables have enjoyed the game on the New Smyrna course

### Interest Wanes

The local people did not seem to take to the game Those who were already familiar with the game and knew how it is played took a real interest and were frequently seen on the links but it was a difficult matter to get novices to take enough interest to learn how to play and apparently interest in the maintenance of the links lagged

Interest in the matter was revived after the organization of the New Smyrna Exchange club last winter when it was rumored that an option had been given on the property and that there was a possibility the tract might be sold and perhaps the land used for other purposes

In discussing the matter with a committee of members of the Exchange club Mr Handley said he had been to much expense in establishing and maintaining the golf course and that he had done it because he believed the people of this community wanted the links He had come to the conclusion there was not enough interest in the matter to make the enterprise a success and as it had been a continual expense to him he had concluded to sell the tract

Following this announcement the Exchange club took the matter up with the idea of creating renewed interest among local members and the Exchange club assured Mr Handley that the golf club would be backed in future by at least 50 active members In return Mr Handley assured the Exchange club that he would continue the tract as a golf course this announcement being made after the option given to Daytona parties had expired and the Exchange club went out and got pledges from a sufficient number of residents to insure the half hundred active members The number did not stop at that When the local people realized that there was a strong probability of losing the course completely they also fully realized what such a loss would mean to the community

The stipulation made by Mr Handley was that he would keep the tract intact for use as a golf course and that in all probability he would enlarge the course to 18

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# NEW NAMES ARE MUCH IN DEMAND

### SPANISH, FRENCH AND INDIAN TONGUES EMPLOYED IN SUPPLYING NAMES FOR COMMUNITIES IN STATE

New settlements new roads new resorts and new places of business and residence locations must have the name which goes with the local habitation,' and as these foci are be and added daily to Florida's community assets new names are constantly in demand

Now and then a regulation United States name is selected for the newly located center of activity a name of English construction and usage among English speaking people in a nominally English speaking country as is right and proper

Sometimes a settler or developer of Hibernian origin and sympathy applies a Gaelic name to his holdings which is not necessarily improper in the land of the free

And occasionally a Latin citizen who has some linguistic claim on Florida by right of priority and discovery employs a Spanish name which also is proper inasmuch as the Latin owner knows his own tongue therefore the correct pronunciation and significance of the name employed

In all too many instances however the Spanish names are unhappily selected by an owner speaking only English knowing Spanish only by sight and very little of it even so and in consequence the name given is incorrectly spelled and pronounced and frequently a misnomer This situation has brought forth much criticism of Florida not of a friendly sort and reflecting rather unkindly upon her scholarship

Perhaps the worst offense in the opinion of philologists who are generally sticklers for linguistic as the word making or name manufacturing now more or less prevalent resulting in name of assumed meaning with reference to location products ownership or other significance with which most people are unfamiliar

To the historical sense the worst possible offense is the change frequently made through ignorance in the spelling and pronunciation of certain names—Indian French and Spanish—so intimately associated with Florida's romantic history as to be worthy of preservation in their historic form

These Indian names are linguistic legacies from Florida's aboriginal inhabitants many of them crude corruptions but bearing in their selves roots of one of the richest and most picturesque tongues known among men Instead of relegating them to disuse as has been suggested the correct form should be ascertained and all diligence exercised to secure its preservation and definition

The same work should be done in connection with the old Spanish names in Florida The Spaniards were as apt as the Indians in bestowing descriptive names These in colloquial form have clung to some localities for centuries now usually retained or resurrected in a far from accurate form for either spelling or pronunciation and without knowledge of their significance or historical suggestion

All nomenclature is and has been to a greater or less degree manufactured We find this true of every locality in the world from the most ancient times down to the newest Florida development — events eminent personages products or local peculiarities investing the site with more or less local historic interest or importance resulting finally in a fixed name This is true of all lands and peoples and it may be argued that is what is being done in Florida today and is just as good a way at present as it ever was

Perhaps so But while we are making names we might proceed in such a manner as to secure or perpetuate a more correct form than we now have in a good many instances

Florida has produced a good many able public servants who deserve a permanent testimonial of esteem and whose names would look well on the maps of the state the highways and the towns in their home counties Until these are exhausted as name sakes we might check the name building impulse which seems to be developing into an obsession

Departure from the correct Spanish spelling of several of the oldest localities in Florida is another reprehensible fault all too rapidly becoming fixed Americans are notably contemptuous of everything foreign and this includes foreign tongues and frequently assume the responsibility of making such changes in spelling as to destroy entirely the meaning of a name An example is found in Boca Raton one of the earliest mapped localities on the entire coast of Florida and found on some of the oldest Spanish maps of the then province of Santa Fe in Florida Oriental made three or four hundred years ago The meaning of the name is rat mouth,' having reference to the shape and other characteristics of the little indentation in the coast at the south end of Palm Beach county

On the earliest maps under the supervision of the United States government the original spelling was adhered to—Boca Raton—none other being logical or scientific unless the name was to be transliteted into English with the o long as it is now correctly pronounced On later, recent maps the name is spelled with an added c —incorrect in Spanish and meaningless in English because the word raton is not English nor is ratone Spanish This is only a specimen of the frequent mutilation of Spanish names throughout the state

Florida residents might have a state nomenclature commission—or it may be they are developing a Florida system of their own Other lands have done the same through long periods of transition—as for instance France Italy Spain and Portugal with their roots in ancient Latin But as long as Floridians use the old they should use it correctly

### FLORIDA

Florida is the bankers strong box the lumberman's abundance the manufacturer's horn of plenty, the farmer's opportunity the laborer's chance the stockman's perpetual pasture the dairyman's flowing bowl, the beeman's land of honey the poultryman's egg basket the trucker's support the fruitman's lotus land the hunter's rendezvous the yachtman's race track the fisherman's Galilee the filmmaker's dream the aviator's paradise the citizen's cornucopia the golfman's land of pleasure the invalids haven the pessimist's Waterloo the tourist's refuge and the home seeker's goal

### FLORIDA

Although the oldest state in point of discovery yet it is youngest in point of development However despite her youth in development and her scanty population Florida has contributed generously to the wealth of the nation and has earned the title of greatest as interpreted by the old service

Before the days of railroads water formed the natural and easiest method of transportation Florida has many navigable rivers and lakes and the question of connecting them by canals was early considered Surveys were made by United States and private engineers to find routes to connect the Atlantic and gulf and do away with the long trip around the south end of the state The first important canal was that of the Florida East Coast from Jacksonville to Miami connecting the St Johns Matanzas Halifax and Indian rivers built at a cost of over $3 500 000 the work beginning in 1888 and ending in 1908 Its chief promoters were Dr John Westcott and Col Isaac Coryell It is only a matter of time when the trans Florida canal to connect the Atlantic and gulf will be built The project is favored by all of the great public improvement associations of the United States and by leading men familiar with the value of waterways Had it not been for the world war and its complications something tangible would be built but the question now is a waiting one

It is well known that all kinds of fish have certain seasons in which they collect in large schools and it is also known that they collect in certain depths of water to school Then is the time when they are caught in quantities The edible kinds are shipped fresh dried or canned while the non edible are turned into fertilizer or oils Besides the scale or fin fish of Florida there are various kinds of shellfish—oysters lobsters clams crabs shrimp etc for human use Then Florida waters contain the only American [illegible]

On July 1 1923 [illegible] 52 077 motor vehicles were registered in the United States according to the U S bureau of public roads The report shows an increase of 2 [illegible] 650 vehicles or 20 per cent [illegible] the registration of July 1 1923 [illegible] California [illegible] Florida [illegible] than 2 [illegible] the other [illegible]


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# Landing the Silver Tarpon Great Sport of Anglers Around Here

## GAME FISH PUTS UP GREAT FIGHT

ANGLERS FIND PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES WITH SILVER KING IN OCEAN AND THE INDIAN RIVER

Landing the silver king of the finny tribe is one of the real sports of the anglers in New Smyrna and the anglers who know claim there is no greater sport than to handle the rod and reel for an hour or two with a game tarpon hooked and putting up a desperate fight for his life

The favorite places for tarpon fishing in this vicinity are in the surf at the beach in Tarpon hole a few miles south in the North Indian river the vicinity of Turtle mound and in Blue hole also in the North Indian river

It is not an infrequent sight at the beach to see the silver beauties leaping in the air as they sport in the surf and breakers a short distance out from shore and the sight of a school of tarpon disporting themselves in the *Atlantic causes every lover of the* angling sport to itch for his boat rod and line

Some excellent advice on the best ways to fish for tarpon is given by Jimmie Dykes in the November number of Sunnyland Magazine as follows

The Silver King or Tarpon Atlanticus as he is called by the scientific fellows has long been the idol of all lovers of real sport He is strong sound and wary cool and resourceful He moves like the flash of summer lightning He often leaps ten feet or more into the air trying to shake loose that terrifying little barb of metal that threatens his very freedom and his kingship of the deep He will often when hooked rush directly at the boat from which his would be captor fishes It then becomes a matter of luck whether he will go under the boat around it or over it Many a broken rod bears mute testimony to the fact that the passage was under while many an angler scarred out of ten years growth, can ably testify to the fact that the great Silver King leaped clear over in a mighty effort to dislodge the hook

Imagine holding the business end of a ten ounce split bamboo rod and knowing that there was a two hundred pound brook trout making about 70 knots per hour in the general direction of Galveston Texas with nothing between you and the fish but six hundred feet of 30 pound test Cuttyhunk line Hot dog! What a kick!

Most people have the idea that tarpon fishing is only for the select few who have made a million in wheat cotton oil or real estate Such is not the case The man of average means can with the use of a few pointers from those already initiated have a goodly taste of the king of all sports and thereby make himself famous by donating a fine specimen to the old town library in Oshkosh Fallapoosa Bingville or wherever else he may hail from

In many cases the old story of the boy with the bent pin goes for the man with the home made tarpon outfit The great silver fighters are not the least bit fussy about the sort of reel that you carry or the bait you use To them food is eats! And a six dollar Pflueger surf reel shines just as brightly as Von Hoffa's most expensive

Of course the man with the expensive outfit provided he is an experienced angler has a much better chance of landing his fish due mostly to the better material but tarpon fishing like a great many other things in life has its ups and downs and at its best is mostly a case of skill and perseverance However many a greenhorn has won his way into the hall of fame of Fishery by landing the first tarpon he became tangled up with

To begin with get a good rod A good rod isn't necessary it is a thing of many colors and costing a hundred smackers either Most any of the numerous sporting goods stores anywhere in the vicinity of the tarpon grounds can sell you a good ready made split bamboo or bamboo shoot wrapped and strengthened with heavy linen cord glue and varnish at prices ranging from five to twenty five dollars Such a rod will last a lifetime barring accidents and provided that ordinary care is exercised in its preservation Most of the split bamboo rods have a patent reel seat of tried merit

With the straight bamboo rod however the most satisfactory reel for tarpon is a heavy linen or sea island cotton line wrapped around the reel seat lugs and butt slide and then given several coats of good elastic varnish to keep off the water and salt This makes the rod and reel practically one piece and gives much more strength in an emergency than do most of the patent reel seats for this sort of an outfit many of them being highly unsatisfactory

If possible have the line guides of agatine or agate Metal guides are alright in fresh water but where they are subject to the corrosion of salt water they soon are eaten away and will often leave the angler in bad shape by breaking and cutting the line just when it is most needed Be sure that the rod is straight and has no sudden bends Make sure that elastic varnish and not ordinary spar

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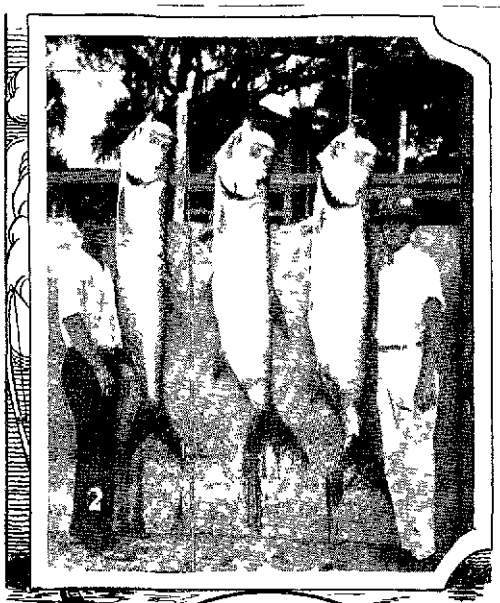

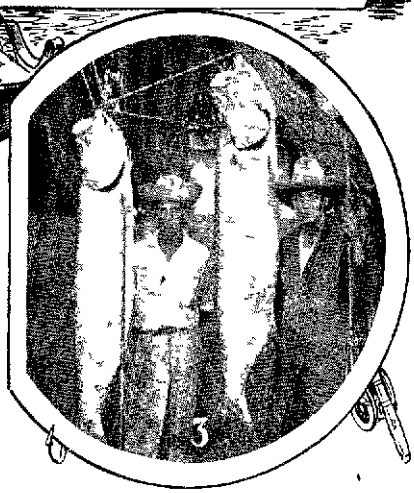

Above Tarpon weighing 90 to 150 pounds each caught here by Robert Handley (right) and Gator Pearce (left)

Below Tarpon weighing 85 to 114 pounds caught here by Arnold Dizer (right) and Frances Wilson (left)


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Again we turn another page of history and find embalmed between the tear stained leaves a chapter of toil and suffering of hopes defeated and dreams of prosperity fading into *nothingness while aching backs and* sweating brows bent over old canals in the making or in cane fields glisening in the torrid sun But over all there hovered in kindest soothing *protection these same old mors draped* oaks and stately palms comforting and restful which we of today find speaking to us in the same language *of love bearing to listening* ears the secret of God s creative presence and whispering of long silent processes through aeons of forest stillness which finally gave birth to all we see about us

And then came the founders of this city What an eye for sylvan beauty those men from rigid climes must have had! What an appeal from the broad bosom of nature must have moved the soul of the first settler when he first stood here and bared his head in this temple of the living God whose hands had reared it to His own glory! With what a loving sense of good fortune even of divine providence must he have chosen this empowered spot upon which to rear the town bearing his name!

And others coming in later to take from his failing hands the task of carrying on—foot by foot brick by brick task by task—day after day the building and the making of the town eventuating in a peerless city of imperial adornment—and all because of her trees representing aeons and aeons of never ceasing labor in the workshop of time!

Each generation has kept intact what it inherited age after age from time immemorial Can you catch the significance of that? From the pre *historic red man through the Spanish regime under British control and* American ownership each generation has passed on to the succeeding one the priceless heritage of lordly trees which have sheltered and rested comforted and blessed with their beauty all who have halted in their shade or viewed from afar its inviting depths—all who have kinship with *nature*—"ye vice regent of Almightie Godde

Never a traitor never a foe among all the phalanx of stalwart sentinels staunch friend of wearied needful humanity they exquisite exhalations of nature s own poetic soul with welcoming arms extended to all of God s creatures to man in all his moods to woman whose innermost heart demands companionship in solitudes to little live wild scurrying things that dart unafraid among the bough and to those other children of the forest which have not yet fled from human approach—the birds—which for a thousand years have nested here and sung their praises *from leafy pulpits!*

And the children the laughing happy children! What wonderful things have come to our children in *the shades of New Smyrna s trees!* For even as the leaf unfolds in the sunshine so the childish mind unfolds to every beauty in shadowed places flecked with filtered sunbeams Here

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## *Formal Opening New Smyrna Golf and Country Club*

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holes if the local interest kept up provided a golf and country club organization would be formed to take over the management of the grounds and activities

Using the members of last year as a nucleus for the formation of a new club the Exchange club called these members together and formed the New Smyrna Golf and Country club and chose the following officers

President—R J Christy
Vice President—W A Craig
Secretary—C H Sams
Treasurer—E A Latham

W A Craig was made chairman of the greens committee and since he arrived from the north a few weeks *ago he has done wonders in the way* of improving the condition and looks of the grounds Mr Craig knows golf thoroughly and he went at the work of improving the grounds in a systematic way Veteran golfers who have visited the links recently declare the fairways are as fine as can be found in the state of Florida Continuous and consistent work has been carried on by Mr Craig and his assistants in improving the greens and fairways and the greens also present a far better condition and appearance than they did when Mr Craig started his improvement work

One difficulty that has been encountered in making these improvements has been the lack of adequate facilities for watering the greens, but this condition will be overcome later and the time is not far distant *when the golf links of the New Smyrna* Golf and Country club will be as fine as can be found anywhere

The enthusiasm has been aroused everybody seems to be talking golf, everybody seems to want to play golf and instead of lagging the wave of golf enthusiasm is continually growing since the Exchange club got behind the effort to instill this interest

Following the formal opening of the links next Thursday the course will be available at all times and a *number of interesting tournaments* will be held during the coming winter season In arranging the tournaments the poor players and beginners will be given handicaps which will give them an equal show with the better players and there will be sport for all

Up to this time the list of members of the New Smyrna Golf and Country club include the following

R J Christy
W A Craig
C H Sams
E A Latham
Robert Handley
M W Ashton
Geo W Abbott
L W Baker
G C Bick
W C Chowning
R M Cunningham
Wayne E Connor
L S Cap
C O Beney
Wm Beane
B W Blount
J O Birch
W S Bowden
Harry U Bonnet
B F Douglass
Arnold K Dufer
L H Khas
W W Farnell
Geo T Fullerton
K C Goodwin
James Goodwin
W A Griffin
N A Hotard
J H Hibbard
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Horace Ross
Jon A Richardson
Gene Robinson
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Robert Logan
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J C Chapman
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R S Maley
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J Tom Smith
J R Sams
J N Watters
N C Waters
I J Moore
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# SLAYING OF ASHLEY GANG BRINGS TO AN END LONG CAREER OF CRIME

### Recent Gun Fight at Sebastian River Bridge Brings to an End the Exploits of Band of Robbers Which Has Terrorized South Part of Florida for Past 15 Years

The recent battle at the Sebastian river bridge in which after 15 years of lawlessness John Ashley outlaw with three of his companions in crime were killed by officers of the law brought to an end the life of the bandit leader, who died as he has lived in a whirl of bullets and battle to death

With the death of Ashley and his three companions in this final battle the remnants of the notorious gang were practically wiped out Joe Tracey another member of the gang was in jail at Kissimmee at the time of the fatal gun battle he having recently given himself up to Sam Vernence conductor on the Okeechobee branch train Tracey is said to have had trouble with Ashley and deserted the gang in the Everglades a few weeks ago

Roy Young Mathews another follower of Ashley is still at large Mathews escaped from the Broward county jail at Fort Lauderdale more than a year ago He was associated with Mobley in the Stuart bank robbery in 1922 Mobley Mathews and another of the gang were taken from the Palm Beach county jail at West Palm Beach to the Broward county jail at Fort Lauderdale from which Mobley and Mathews escaped

The Ashley gang was supposed to be the perpetrators of the bank robbery at Pompano last September more than a time Sheriff Baker of Palm Beach county and his men have been out on the trail of the desperadoes

Deputies have been scouring the country for them and several times the outlaws have been seen Shots have been exchanged but each time the gangsters escaped

A few weeks ago the band was located at Jupiter and to escape they were forced to separate Several days ago they joined forces Mrs Ashley mother of John lives at Fruita or far from the camp of the gang in the interior It was from there that they had started on the fatal trip north

For years Ashley and his followers have been a menace to the southeast counties of Florida In vain the sheriffs of these six counties have sought to exterminate them

Several times various members of the gang have been captured but each time have made their escape fleeing to the Everglades for refuge

The crime stained career of John Ashley aged 36 was a tragic one His first murder was committed when he was 23 years old De Soto Tiger an Indian fur trader being his first victim Ashley killed the trader in the back country along the Lauderdale canal and sold for $1 200 the furs which he had stolen from the murdered man

Soon after Ashley was in jail for being drunk and disorderly but was released on bond before the murder was discovered He fled to the Everglades which in after years proved his safe refuge

The perils of the Glades at that early period were great and under pursuit Ashley surrendered After several trials without conviction Ashley broke jail and escaped

Later he was captured tried again for the murder of the Indian and convicted but again escaped

Ashley then joined a band of desperadoes and with them robbed the bank at Stuart six years ago The robbers were pursued by a posse and in the gun fight which followed Ashley was shot by one of his own associates He suffered the loss of his right eye and part of his face An infection resulted from the wound and fearing death from blood poisoning Ashley gave himself up that he might receive medical attention

His brother Bob Ashley endeavored to free John from the Miami jail where he was confined Bob killed the jailer and in his attempt to escape encountered a police officer in a fight which resulted in the death of both himself and the police man

Finally John pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 17 years in the state penitentiary from which he soon escaped From that time his gang has been the object of a widespread hunt

Last January Sheriff Baker and several deputies walked into the Ashley camp 30 miles north of West Palm Beach and found the gang making moonshine In the fight which followed Deputy Fred Baker and Joe Ashley father of John were killed

**Long Career of Crime**

The following interesting history of the Ashley gang was written by Agnew Welsh for the Miami Daily News

The robbery of the Bank of Pompano on September 12 1924 believed work of the Ashley Mobley gang was the last of many crimes and was the fourth of a series of East Coast bank holdups that had similar earmarks in fact two of them were done by the same gang—the Ashleys and their followers The Bank of Stuart was twice held up by this well organized band the first instance being on May 12 1916

The Ashleys originally came from Lee county in the vicinity of Buckingham a small place on Twelve Mile creek northeast of Fort Myers where they were in the cattle and hog business and were notorious characters in those days and it is said the residents of the vicinity rested easier with their departure from there some years ago

The first public evidence of the criminal career of John Ashley began with his arrest for the murder near Fort Lauderdale on December 28 1911 of DeSoto Tiger a Seminole Indian the object being to rob him of 84 otter pelts which Ashley brought to Miami and sold to James B Grinnan who now lives in a southwestern suburb Ashley was then 17 years of age

Ashley disappeared and it is said that he wandered as far as the Pacific coast returning about a year later A large reward had been offered for his capture and realizing that he was to become a hounded man he gave himself up to the sheriff of Palm Beach county in 1913 On March 29 of that year he went to trial for the killing of the Indian with H Pierce Brannning as Miami as trial judge No agreement was reached and the case was set for a rehearing in November but before the taking of testimony began Ashley escaped from the custody of the sheriff of Palm Beach county

Shortly after this occurred the robbery of the Bank of Stuart in 1916 during which police Ashley received a bullet in his side while fleeing with a pistol in order to intimidate those who might attempt pursuit

At that time the three men implicated directly in the bank holdup made their escape by motor going into service an automobile standing near commanding the man to drive south the men leaving the car after a few miles had been covered

A few days later Ashley was obliged to give himself up on account of his wound requiring medical aid

Soon afterward a second trial was again renewal and at this time Claude D Bowen and Judge A J Rose were appointed to defend Ashley

Ashley was found guilty and was brought to the Dade county jail for safe keeping It was while confined here that the attempt was made to release him from the jail by force

At 1 o clock on the afternoon of June 2 1915 Bob Ashley a brother of John Ashley knocked on the door of the jailer s residence adjacent to the county bastile In response to his knock Jailer Walter W Hendrickson appeared at the door on First avenue when Ashley asked him if he were Hendrickson but before receiving a reply Ashley shot him with a rifle that he carried wrapped in blue paper the ball penetrating the region of the heart The officer lived but a few hours

Seizing the jail keys Ashley started toward the jail with evident intention of releasing his brother John but the rifle shot had attracted attention to the jail and in the confusion Bob Ashley dropped the keys and attempt [illegible] by [illegible] leering [illegible] for letting the door [illegible] Drive you —— to the rock [illegible] off holding a pistol [illegible] frightened [illegible] John Ashley [illegible] three [illegible] four [illegible]

Soon [illegible] [illegible] Bob [illegible] to kill [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible]

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## Thanksgiving Menu

Oyster Cocktail

Cream of Almond Soup Au Crutons

Pickles Olives

Roast Turkey with Dressing

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## *Landing the Silver Tarpon Great Sport*

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varnish has been used for finishing Ordinary varnish will crack when the rod bends under the strain of a fish and will let the water in under the wrapping which is the real cause of most rods going bad at the crucial moment

The reel comes next Strength and durability are the paramount qualities to look for There are all sorts and shapes of reels made by a dozen competing firms Some are good and some are bad while some are much worse Get a reel of a simple construction as is possible The fewer working parts the better German silver resists the corrosion of salt water fairly well but a brass reel with steel working parts bronze gears and heavy nickel plate will best serve its owner by giving years of good honest service The most common makes are Meisselbach Pflueger Von Hoffe Heddon Ocean City Shakespeare and South Bend These are all excellent reels each having its advantages and disadvantages but all being easily repaired from stock parts and each having a reputation of a reliable house behind it They range in cost from six to one hundred dollars so there is one for practically every purse which leaves the selection up to the buyer himself

After the reel is made fast to the rod get its full complement of good fresh Cuttyhunk linen line (most tarpon fishermen use fifteen to twenty one thread line the better sportsmen using lighter line) Wind this line slowly onto the reel watching every foot of it for a possible defect

Then get a can of medium gun or sewing machine oil a pair of good cutting pliers a dozen Sobey tarpon hooks and as many heavy piano wire leaders swivels and keel sinkers (a keel sinker is a flat circular chunk of lead that is folded over the line and when the fish strikes the lead flies off and releases the line from that much added strain) a stout gaff hook and if you contemplate trolling several of the different plug baits and spoon hooks made for the purpose You are now ready for action

The tarpon season differs slightly with the locality In Miami and Key West for instance the Silver King is seen nearly all the year round while he is seldom caught along the middle East and West Coasts until April and from then on until September when he starts his southward roaming again To the average angler therefore a guide is quite necessary Florida is blessed with an abundance of competent tarpon guides Miami Palm Beach Key West Fort Myers Sarasota Punta Gorda Bradentown Pass a Grille St Petersburg Clear water Tarpon Springs and a host of smaller places up and down both coasts can furnish expert guides at a nominal cost to the angler These men have spent years in the study and chase of the Silver King and can as a rule be depended upon to furnish the novice or the expert with a day's sport that will linger for many a year in his memory

A local guide will have to be the one to locate the fish It is practically an impossibility to tell where the tarpon are unless the fisherman has spent several days on the spot and has had a chance to study tide currents wind phases of the moon etc Therefore great dependance must be placed upon the guide as to where the fish are feeding and the why fores thereof

The writer has caught tarpon trolling out in the open Gulf of Mexico he has landed the great fighters six miles up a river in practically fresh water in a stream that was hardly wide enough to admit the boat on the flats at high tide and in the deep swift passes at nearly every stage of the tide The bait seems to vary a little at different times of the year and in different localities Mullet is always a favorite small live shiners and pinfish up to five inches in length pinfish grunts porgies and at times cut fish (with the gills fins removed) are all taken with good results

Artificial lures not been used to any great extent until the past three years Hoffman and several other baits have proved equal to our wooden plugs [illegible] the best working, the [illegible] for the tarpon [illegible] have [illegible] trouble trying to get them [illegible] and at most of a [illegible] nearly all the color of the [illegible] is to fit the market [illegible] educational exercise The baits can be purchased at nearly any hardware or sporting goods store and as they are nearly all used for trolling as is a spoon hook the local dealer can prescribe the bait that is productive of the best results in his immediate locality

Everything is now in readiness for the great adventure Guide boat bait tackle and all To say nothing of the approaches the angler and anglerette may be will be whether he has caught 100 tarpon or none at all Many an old timer when feeling the fish terrific strike of the day has been known to break out into durability are his paramount quality a case of Buck Fever as does the greenest of the green

When the fishing grounds are reached care should be taken to hook the bait in a manner that will allow it to swim in its most natural manner It should be hooked through both upper and lower lips the barb of the hook in an upright position The guide will tell from the locality whether to fish deep shallow with lead or without Most anglers fish without lead when angling over the cliffs on the edge of the passes Of course in deep swift water lead of varying weights will have to be used

When a tarpon strikes there is only one thing to do Set the hook with a hard strong jerk and then keep a strong pressure on the fish at all times This is a pretty stiff order taking at times as the minute Mr Tarpon feels the prick of the barb he is off on a wild run that terminates in a flying leap at the end of a second or two during which time the fish has traveled about three or four hundred feet Keep the slack out of the line If the line becomes slack the fish gets his liberty by sudden rushes and leaps and can do as he pleases The tarpon is a nervy fighter any time of the day or night (moonlight fishing for the Silver King grows in popularity each succeeding season)

Weak hearted people or those suffering with nervous disorders should stay ashore as there are thrills galore connected with every tarpon fishing party that has started out since the year one For instance

A well known guide who makes his headquarters at St Petersburg had a party of three elderly gentlemen in his launch fishing for tarpon at Egmont Pass One of the party was rewarded with a strike almost before his line was wet Following the directions given by the guide the elderly man gave a mighty heave on the line with all intentions of setting the hook and he set it all right That big old Silver King made one mighty leap and landed right amidship in the boat knocking one of the party into the water and scaring one of the others so badly that he leaped overboard after his fallen companion The third man grabbed a heavy monkey wrench and jumped onto the thrashing fish pummeling it vigorously with the wrench He was immediately joined by the guide with a heavy club used for killing sharks The two battled for ten or twelve minutes with the fish at the end of which time the interior of the boat was literally a wreck the motor being damaged almost beyond repair and there being several planks loosened by the thrashing of the heavy fish aided by various and sundry blows from the wrench and club Both men were badly skinned up and the two who went overboard were lucky enough to grab the anchor line and haul themselves aboard with nothing worse than a good wetting and a bad scare occasioned by the presence of several large sharks in the vicinity attracted by the commotion

Instances of this sort are not uncommon so no matter where you have fished no matter how much experience you may have had with bass pike muskies and others if you have never tangled up with the great Silver King of the Florida keys there is yet to be added to your life a chapter that is worth all of the others put together and a moment in your life as a sportsman that will cause the blood to race up and down your spine for many a long year afterward

Tarpon are not by any means the only game fish awaiting the sports man Redfish or channel bass rebalo of from ten to fifty pounds large sea trout Spanish mackerel, kingfish bonefish whiting and weakfish are caught in the passes They are game to the core fast swimmers and will furnish a day's sport that will live long in the memory of the most fervent angler In the passes there is generally a swift tide and the fishing must be done with live shiners or sand perch of from three to six inches in length

Many prospective anglers think that in order to find fish it is necessary to pay a guide $25 a day and get a young yacht to carry them to and from the fishing grounds This is a mighty fine way to do it and shows evidence of wealth but it can be dispensed with

To the man of average circumstances this would seem almost prohibitive and would limit his fishing to one or two trips a season There are several ways of getting around the boat and guide question

Three or four men can join forces and hire the same motor boat and guide making the outlay smaller for each by a number of dollars, or they can fish from the shores of many of the islands and keys off both coasts But in the opinion of the writer by far the most satisfactory method of fishing can be found at Pass a Grille Punta Gorda Fort Myers Key West Miami Fort Lauderdale and other places by renting a skiff and having the boatman tow it to the fishing grounds with instructions as to when the anchor drag to return

The great compelling call of the fighting denizens of the deep is calling to you whether you are a Yankee Hoosier or Californian whether you are rich or poor Here in Florida you can satisfy your heart's desire here are untold millions of the game and game fish begging the indulgence of your reel

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The passing of a famous southern banking institution through recent consolidation has drawn attention again to the origin of the term Dixie as applied to the southland The claim that the word came from the name of a man who once lived in New York seems to be set at rest conclusively, by the records of this institution the Citizens Bank and Trust Company which has been merged after 51 years of continuous operation with the Canal Commercial Trust and Savings bank

Some authorities have attributed Dixie to the name of one Dixie a kind hearted slave owner who resided on Manhattan Island during the latter part of the eighteenth century But in New Orleans they take no stock in such a story and point to old chronicles of the Mississippi valley and to the records of the bank to disprove it

In the thirties America was flooded with wild cat money, and counterfeiting was so common that suspicion became fixed on all paper money Through it all, however the bank notes of the Citizens commanded the respect of the whole of the Mississippi valley and the remainder of the country as well

In the days before the civil war the bank notes were printed in French as well as in English The most common denomination was the $10 note and it bore the Roman numeral X and the Arabic numerals 10 But 10 in the middle of the back was printed the French word Dix and then lettering in French

The Mississippi river then was the great highway of traffic between New Orleans and the northland and in the argot of the river when a man was headed down south into Louisiana on a trading expedition he was going to come back with a pocket full of Dixies From dixies to Dixie was an easy step And the south particularly Louisiana became known as the land of dixies or more briefly Dixie Land

It was then that Daniel Emmett a black face minstrel wrote his jung ling song Away Down South in Dixie Incidentally the song was first published in New Orleans and by a music house which is in business on Canal street

According to statistics gathered by L R Rhodes commissioner of the state marketing bureau it is shown that from September 1 1923 to August 1 1924 (335 days) Florida shipped foodstuffs to other parts of the country to the extent of 103 778 solid carloads These figures indicate something of the magnitude of an industry which for the entire shipping season of 335 days furnished an average of one car of foodstuffs for shipment elsewhere for every four and one half minutes of each day of the season or an average of over 300 carloads a day for the entire shipping season Florida is important to the country in supplying it with fresh fruits and vegetables so essential to health in the winter time

The distance from Jacksonville in nautical miles to Colon Panama as found by the United States bureau of navigation is 1 516 miles from Key West the distance is 1 079 miles, from Tampa 1 220 miles from Pensacola 1 350 miles These are the nearest American ports to the canal and give eastern America its closest access to the Pacific ocean countries The distance by sea from Jacksonville to Brunswick Ga is 80 miles to Savannah, Ga 150 miles to Charleston S C 300 miles to Baltimore Md, 770 miles to Philadelphia Pa 760 miles to New York city 790 miles, to Boston Mass 1 020 miles From Key West to Pensacola by sea it is 460 miles to Tampa 235 miles to Vera Cruz Mexico 870 miles to Campico the Mexican oil port, 910 miles to New Orleans 510 miles to Havana Cuba 92 miles From Miami to Nassau in the Bahamas it is 185 miles

Persons interested in bees and honey can get information about Florida conditions by writing to the state experiment station at Gainesville Bee keeping is an industry under development in this country as public appreciation of honey as a food continues to grow and create a demand

## *Big Future in Preserving Fruit Juices in State*

The Packing House News of Tampa in discussing the possibilities of creating a large industry in Florida in the manufacture of genuine fruit juices in competition with the artificial or chemical brands on the market says *In the fruit industry* the exploitation of fruit juices as beverages could be made to form a huge outlet for lower grades of fruits which while they might not be acceptable on the markets as fresh fruit by reason of their size or appearance are just as good inside as the better grades of fruit and if the juice from this class of fruit can be preserved so as to retain the flavor and qualities of fresh fruit the demand for these juices should exceed the supply It is encouraging to note that a great deal of work is being done on methods of preserving fruit juices so that the product will meet the taste and health requirements Certainly if the manufacturers of synthetic drinks can make millions the people interested in the fruit industry should be able to make money if they can market drinks from their otherwise unsalable fruit which in addition to being pleasing to the palate also has food and health qualities This is a means of utilizing at a profit that part of the crop which is not sent to the markets as fresh fruits and vegetables Canning dehydration and other methods of preservation form an outlet for a certain amount of otherwise unmarketable produce but the outlet even now is nowhere near large enough This is a problem that must have the serious consideration of everyone concerned

Herman Gunter state geologist says the limestone industries of Florida have increased 800 per cent since 1913 This material is used in road making as railroad ballast in concrete building and for agricultural purposes The total value of the output of these industries in 1913 was $155 539 while in contrast to these figures are those for 1923 production which showed a total value of $1 425 484 In addition to the production of limestone for the various uses mentioned large quantities enter into the manufacture of quick and hydrated lime The lime industry has centered about Ocala since 1884 In that part of the state excellent deposits of high grade limestone analyzing as high as 99 1 per cent calcium carbonate are found

The September number of the Florida Secretary published at Fort Lauderdale contains a very sensible article entitled The Modern Auto Camp by L W Brown secretary of the DeLand Commercial club He presented good reasons why they should be a part of the municipal government as the board of health the fire department or the police department He considers an auto camp an industry and it certainly was in DeLand where the custodian of the camp gave figures showing an average of $1 50 a day expended by every person in the camp among the merchants of the city besides he traced investments in property in and about the city to the amount of over $200,000 by occupants of the camp

Cooler weather is coming with danger and loss from fires Every home in Florida is supplied with some form of artificial light candles kerosene lamps, gas flame burners gas mantle burners electricity, etc Each system has its danger Lamps are the source of many fires Never blow down a lamp chimney without turning down the wick Always put out the lamp when you leave your home It may be knocked over by a cat dog or rat All gas flames should be protected with globes Be careful with matches Rubbish old papers and rags are danger spots Dead leaves and oily rags are sometimes ignited in the hot sun Defective chimneys cause fires Insurance does not always cover losses

A person needs only to study a map of the United States to find out the favorable position of Florida in the matter of nearness to the world's markets It is nearest to the West Indies South America and the Panama canal through which it has near est access from eastern America to Pacific ocean countries To the east across the Atlantic will be found Europe and Africa Florida is a peninsula extending nearly 500 miles into the warm sea like Saint Claude looking full of good things Below it is a 1 000 mile island the east of America in population than the Pacific coast state


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## Slaying of Ashley Gang Brings End Career of Crime

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ceived The officer lived a few hours

Bob Ashley was taken to the jail where he soon died and when his body was carried out the tremendous crowd demanded to see his face to determine for themselves whether the man really was dead or whether it was a ruse to get him to a place of safety Ashley's body was sent by Combs to Hobe Sound near which the gang made their headquarters as they have since done Dan Hardie was then sheriff of Dade county

Ashley was never convicted of the DeSoto Tiger murder and in the rush of other events it was forgotten

That there was a predetermined plan to rescue John Ashley was manifest from a number of circumstances upon which no stress was laid at the time and the officers were satisfied that Bob had at least two confederates here but who made a successful escape by quietly slipping out of town

Among crime contemporaneous with the first Stuart bank robbery was the holding up of an F E C passenger train in this western hamlet manner this also being laid at the door of the Ashleys

On July 12 1920 Joe and Bill Ashley father and son were arrested at Sebring for bootlegging The family home was at that time at Fruita near Gomez a small settlement south of Stuart that affair being the first time that Bill Ashley was identified with the gang

At the time of a raid on their Fruita camp in October 1921 for bootlegging it was reported that *Frank and* Ed Ashley had been drowned while bringing liquor from Bimini the story being that their boat had capsized

The second robbery of the Stuart bank occurred on May 12 1922 at the noon hour the holdup being conducted by two men and a woman the latter being later identified as Hanford Mobley The robbers secured $8 118 14 in this bank Hanford Mobley was the brother in law of the younger generation of Ashleys

A day or two after the Stuart bank robbery two of the men wanted were arrested at Plant City by a posse headed by Sheriff Bob Baker of Palm Beach county They gave their names as A H Davis of Birmingham and J C Jones of Atlanta Davis was quickly recognized as Hanford Mobley The age of the other man was given as 20

The third man whose name was given as Walter Y Young or Arthur was successful in eluding the officer at this time The two men captured were taken to the Palm Beach county jail where on May 16 a United States marshal made demand for Hanford Mobley on a charge of piracy the specific case being holding up a vessel in the vicinity of the Bahamas and robbing it of $15 000 This demand was not honored About this time whispers of a jail delivery reached the ears of Sheriff Baker and the two prisoners were spirited away to the jail at Fort Lauderdale from which they made their escape a few weeks later

On May 23 1922 R Y Young or R Y Mathews as best suited his needs confessed at Griffin Ga under the third degree pressure that he was the outside man at the second Stuart bank robbery and that *Mobley and a man named Middleton* did the stick up work inside While waiting at Plant City in their famous attempt at making a get away R Y looking into the station window saw his companions in crime in custody and he then boarded a train for Jacksonville where he had conducted an auto accessory store he left the train before it reached the city and from there made his way into Georgia He was also well known at West Palm Beach where he was known as the angle worm

Bill Ashley conducted a hunters lodge near Jupiter and acted as guide for hunters one of his patrons at one time being Pax Collector R E Hill of this city

John Ashley made two escapes while a prisoner of the state the first was from Raiford on July 10 1918 while he was serving a term of three years for [illegible] the Bank of Stuart [illegible] June [illegible] While [illegible] on July 1 20 in the vicinity of Hillsboro and Fruita

In addition to the other crime John Ashley is charged with having been deserter from the U S navy on June 17 1920 after having served three months on the U S S Maryland This indicates that he must have enlisted following his escape from Raiford

Early this year information came to Sheriff Bob Baker of Palm Beach county that there had been a rallying of the clan which had long been dispersed He gathered a posse and assaulted the rendezvous of the gang in the middle of a large and dense thicket near Fruita The posse consisted of about 50 men and in addition to guns and small arms they had a machine gun Early in the siege Deputy Fred Baker who led the posse was killed by a rifle shot from the corpse on the morning of January 9 1924 During the fusillade directed at the besieged a shot proved fatal to old Joe Ashley father of the gang which at that time was known as the Ashley Mobley gang

The shots that killed Joe Ashley took effect while he was putting on one shoe having hastily arisen when the first shots were fired It was found that five bullets had pierced his body one severing the jugular vein Beside him rested two loaded guns

The approach to their camp where *the battle occurred was only through* high saw grass and dense swampy jungle for a distance of about three miles The camp proper was on high hammock ground and here was found a large moonshine still

Mathews was believed to have been with the Ashleys in the January attack on their stronghold At that time young Bill Ashley was making Miami his headquarters

On the occasion of the man hunt last January most of the gang was rounded up the following having been taken to the Palm Beach county jail Laura Upthegrove, said to be a camp follower, and wounded in the knee during the fusillade Wesley Mobley father of Hanford Mobley Mary Ashley Mobley wife of Hanford Mobley Mrs Joe W Ashley mother of the Ashley boys Daisy Ashley and a three year old Mobley child The age of Joe Ashley who met death in this raid was given as 65 years

Not only were the families of the gang taken to jail but some nights later the Ashley and Mobley homes and Miller grocery store were burned for which criminal act the families have recently brought suit in the Palm Beach county court

The men who escaped arrest at this time were John Ashley Hanford Mobley and Albert Miller Some days later John Ashley reported to a *friend* that he *had left Miller in the* woods dead Miller was credited with the killing of Deputy Sheriff Baker

On January 9 Bill Ashley surrendered to the officers at Olympia and denied having had any connection with the gang's operations

On the 10th Albert Miller was taken into custody as he was alighting from an automobile at the home of A P Blanchard Miller was severely wounded one ball having fractured an arm and another passing through his hip

After this famous battle the body of Joe Ashley was brought to West Palm Beach by the posse and remained unclaimed for some time as the relatives not in custody were in hiding

Mobley and Mathews were captured at Plant City and brought to the Broward county jail at Fort Lauderdale from which they escaped some time later and have since been at large

In May 1924 a man giving his name as R Y or Roy Young was arrested at Griffin Ga on a minor charge The prisoner confessed that he was Roy Young Mathews and that himself Hanford Mobley and — Middleton alias Jones had perpetrated the last Stuart robbery

When the Plantation inn at Arch Creek was held up the last night of February 1924 Miss Mary Turner the cashier when shown a photograph of Hanford Mobley recognized it as being the features of one of the four men who conducted the holdup

One night in March 1924 one of the East Coast's through trains had reached a point a few miles north of Stuart a gruff demand was made on the conductor to stop the train When asked who was making such an unusual request the reply was Hanford Mobley the train stopped to let Mobley alight opposite his home three miles away

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[illegible] Miller and [illegible] were sold The hunted men made their escape across the Glades and the pursuit was renewed and two more live were taken on the West Coast near Lake Okeechobee by an Indian found the body of James Tucker who met death by drowning and Leland Rice was shot and killed, his brother Ralph was so seriously wounded that it was thought he would die but he was brought to Miami and recovered Hugh Aldaman was captured and confessed his part of the robbery Thus accused James Tucker and Leland Rice as being the planners of the robbery Both Ralph Rice and Tucker received life sentences and were taken to Raiford prison farm on November 8 1917 Rice having pleaded guilty to second degree murder Rice twice applied for a pardon first in September 1921 and then again a year later

Scene on New Smyrna Beach

## Beautiful Trees Heritage to City

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they have grown side by side with monarchs whose whispering leaves tell of a hidden life of mystic forces absorbing facts with sunshine imbibing knowledge with dewdrops, all growing strong together side by side with sturdy oaks and graceful palms sombre cedars and laughing pines, the boys and girls the men and women of the forests part and parcel of our life are they our shelter our friends our lovers our brothers'

And who shall say that these do not bear in themselves the four elements of beauty —form color motion sound? Their form needs no defining their color none Their motion awakes to the softest kiss of the lightest breeze and who that has listened to the sough of the pines the crescendo of the palms or the deep diapason of the oaks in the winds from a thousand seas will deny them motion or sound the fundamentals of all perfect beauty?

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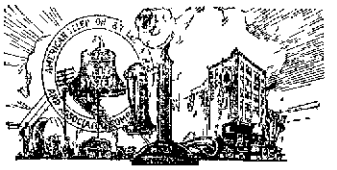

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## FIRST SETTLEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES WAS MADE AT NEW SMYRNA

### Much of Historical Interest Centers About the Oldest City in the New World and Ruins of Old Fort and Spanish Mission Are Reminders of Trials of Early Settlers

(By Riley M Fletcher Berry in Sunnyland Magazine)

Florida is inclined to smile at claims to picturesqueness of history or titles to age advanced by other states since she herself has the oldest city in the United States within her borders and unrivaled brilliance of background historically Compared with her own vivid pageantry of the past the landing of the Pilgrims for instance however important in results seems to Florida a colorless affair By the same comparison even the dashing cavaliers who gave glamour of romance to Virginia and the Carolinas appear clad in dim gray garments And indeed should every other group of the first for pioneer seekers in our country be added to even doughtily bedlight they would apparently be arrayed in but neutral tinted garb if placed along side the vividly picturesque adventurers Florida can marshal forth in magnificent procession Her beckoning captivating coasts and alluring islands for centuries saw such swift succession of in turn valiantly vie rious visitors Spanish French and English as no other portion of our country can claim In all guises they came gallantly greedy for gold or glory basely bold desperately seeking for health or happiness or sanctimoniously seeking the souls salvation of others

As for age Ponce de Leon s first trip to Florida (1513) was more than a hundred years before the Pilgrims landed And de Leon was not the first in Florida even omitting the reported touchings of Sebastian Cabot and Amerigo Vespucious in 1497 for Cortes de Real had preceded him (1500 12) Succeeding him were Diego Miruelo (1516), the dauntless Hernando de Cordova (1517) Alvarez de Pineda (1519) Cordillo and de Quexos (1519 25) Pamphilo de Narvaez with his five vessels eighty horses and five hundred men (1528) Hernando de Soto with imposingly imposing retinue (1539) de Barastro (1549) and Arrelando in 1559 Next sent by France came those two high hearted Huguenots Jean Ribault (1562 65) and Rene de Landonniere (1564) with the treacherous Spanish Pedro Menendez de Aviles on their heels in 1565

In the same year was also the swift passage of Sir John Hawkins from England and in 1568 that redoubtable Frenchman Dominic de Gourgues dramatically avenged the murdered Huguenot Two English freebooters Sir Francis Drake (1586) and Captain John Davis (1665) next appeared followed one after the other brown or black frocked friars various Spanish captain generals with gaily gilded hangers on and in 1637 came one de Aala with inky African slaves Then swayed richly attired English or French governors and military officers with troops in romantic raiment Dr Andrew Turnbull (1767) General Andrew Jackson (1814) and Osceola the Seminole with attendant coppe hued savages in 1835 These with hordes of brazenly bedecked pirates French English Portuguese Italian and Greek colonists and a background of semi tropical brilliance of sea and sky and land gave Florida she feels the right to claim unsurpassed historical color and action

Tampa the Espiritu Santo of de Soto Clearwater near which the allied Spanish expedition landed and other West Coast and inland spots have claim to the veneration of historical students but because of geographical situation it was the East Coast which mainly attracted these light footed high hooded men of the sword during the successive seizure of Florida by Spain France and England And of the many places mentioned in narratives of their voyages to the new world St Augustine has above all been the magic name with which history lovers have been wont to conjure For over three centuries this name has been applied to the beautiful little city on Florida s northeast coast whose quaint coquina constructions of earlier period Clearwater near which the allied Spanish expedition landed and other West Coast and inland spots have claim to the veneration of historical students but because of geographical situation it was the East Coast which mainly attracted these light footed high hooded men of the sword during the successive seizure of Florida by Spain France and England And of the many places mentioned in narratives of their voyages to the new world St Augustine has above all been the magic name with which history lovers have been wont to conjure For over three centuries this name has been applied to the beautiful little city on Florida s northeast coast whose quaint coquina constructions of earlier period

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Ruins of Old Spanish Mission

## FLORIDA'S RICH HISTORY IS DREAM COME TRUE; SPANIARDS' VISIONS MORE THAN REALIZED

By R A M

A History of Florida is the title chosen for a new publication designed to record Florida s progress up to the close of the second decade of the twentieth century

Florida was once the land of dreams to romantic explorers It then became the seat of the first civilized settlement in what is now the United States It has been the scene of some of the bloodiest tragedies in the history of the New World colonization Its acquisition by the United States is the theme of an important chapter of American expansion

Modern civilization has almost perfected so far as is humanly possible on the Florida peninsula a land of wonders more wonderful than the imagination of Ponce de Leon could conceive It is not only a country of luxury in climate as he perceived it of geography and resources which appealed to his fervid imagination, but it has become a country of practical achievement through the energy of an enterprising people

The purpose of the new history of Florida alluded to is to view the events which associate Florida with the narrative of general history and thus effort absorbs and incorporates all previous attempts to gather under one cover the exploits and discoveries of all those who have contributed to Florida s greatness her interest and her place in the world of affairs The new history of which the foregoing is a highly condensed synopsis has been issued in three volumes quite the most pretentious and comprehensive work yet undertaken in connection with the annals of the state and with such a well informed student of the state s development historical and industrial as Judge Benjamin Harrison of Jacksonville compiler and chief contributor the book bids fair to rank with the most authoritative historical works extant

Florida s history is rich in romance, adventure tragedy and progressive development Though this last mentioned is a phase as well as a phase unknown to those who furnished

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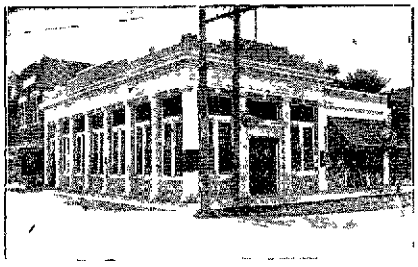

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## *Florida Leads all States in Auto Deaths*

It is with no satisfaction that quotation is made from a bulletin issued by one of the large insurance companies giving automobile casualties by states that Florida leads with the average death rate among policyholders of 32 5 per 100 000 persons followed by Tennessee 7 in West Virginia In New York with congested cities the rate was 11 5 while the average of the United States was 16 3 per 100 000 In a study of traffic accidents in 135 American cities the Miami rate was 0 per 100 000 Tampa 25 and Jacksonville 21 Last year the automobile killed more people than all the industries including railroads and mines Not one third of our people are exposed to danger in the industries but practically everybody who walks or rides is exposed to this growing hazard which stalks along our streets and roads Years of experience are required before an engineer is allowed to run a locomotive confined to two steel rails and fenced while children and adults with a few superficial instructions are allowed to drive automobiles along crowded streets The folks who manipulate steering wheels do not start out to hunt trouble but it often turns out that way The driver who is responsible for a fatality has put a scar on his heart that will be hard to erase Drivers are not always liable, but breezing along the streets and roads at high speed he feels an ownership of all that is in sight and the careless pedestrian goes to the undertaker More cars are appearing and the casualty list is increasing Last year somebody was killed in this country on the average of every thirty minutes. You may be on the list before the year is out Besides the tension imposed on drivers and pedestrians out in busy streets is nerve racking and making wrecks of the more sensitive Medical authorities say that deafness is increasing owing to the constant fear of traffic in all the big cities The auditory nerve can stand a good deal of noise but the din produced by badly managed cars and the fierce tooting of horns combine in weakening if not killing it Fast driving on busy streets careless driving cutting the corners undimmed lights on lighted streets blinding the man in front of them road hoggishness as well as jay walking by pedestrians ought to cease People in an automobile seem to feel that they must reach their destination right now What's the hurry? High speed is rarely justified Accidents can be more easily avoided at moderate speed It is all a matter of safety drivers and common sense.

Hamlin L Brown of the Florida college of agriculture says Million of dollars are sent out of Florida every year to pay for dairy feeds that should be grown at home feeds that are used as substitutes for silage Florida dairymen should grow them selves Thousands of tons of Italian beet pulp is imported into the state that take the place of what our own farmers could profitably produce He urges the building of silos The silo provides the cheapest and safest storage for roughage of any building the farm can have If built properly the concrete silo is a permanent fixture as it will last a lifetime

## *Many Styles of Automobiles Are Now in Use*

The Ford automobile assembly plant in Jacksonville is now in operation with some 500 employes Mighty changes have taken place in automobiles in the short time since they became a specialty The first Ford looked like a buggy and had high wheels and iron tires now some 200 companies are making automobiles in this country and the registered number of cars and trucks in use runs well up to 20 000 000 probably ample to carry the entire population of the United States at one time There are enough registered cars in Florida 211 000 to carry the entire population at one time

There are now three classes of automobiles—open closed and collapsible Open The roadster car has a permanent seat for two or three and sometimes an auxiliary or rumble seat The touring car has two permanent seats facing forward for four or five passengers A victoria touring car is a touring car with a victoria top Closed The coupe is a roadster with a permanently closed top A car of this type with more than one seat for three is a small sedan unless equipped with a rear compartment for luggage The sedan is a touring car with a permanently closed top which includes the driver seat This car with an adjustable window behind the driver's seat is a sedan limousine If the top collapses it is a sedan limousine The limousine is a touring car with a permanent standing top which encloses the passengers but the driver sits on an open seat exposed to the weather If the top collapses the limousine is a touring car The limousine without a top is a landau The landau is a closed car with the rear part of the top which folds down the back seat can be folded down If a bracket is fastened to the entire top or when it is fully collapsed There are all kinds of bodies as good bad and indifferent The new and green driver is one who toots his horn when it is not necessary with the only too apparent case of jitters on him There are drivers who use their bright lights on well lighted city streets and blind the eyes in front of them For this offense there should be jail sentences as well as for the incessant horn tooters If all drivers in the city tooted their horns between street crossings and at the same time what a bedlam of noise it would be The law of Florida allows a speed of 30 miles an hour on country roads and 15 miles when the way is clear on city streets It is probable that the law is not fully observed

Driving an automobile may be an art but it will cost a little cash in the form of law enacted by the legislature of 1925 less to say about it later on It follows No person shall drive a motor vehicle on the public highways of the state at a rate of speed greater than reasonable and proper having regard to the width traffic and other conditions of the highways so as to endanger the property or life or limb of any person If the rate of speed of a motor vehicle operated on a public highway of this state exceeds 30 miles an hour for a distance of one half or a mile such rate of speed shall be prima facia evidence that the person operating such motor vehicle is operating the same at a rate of speed greater than reasonable and proper and in violation of the provisions of this chapter If except within the limits of an incorporated town or city the rate of speed of motor vehicles operated on the public highways of this state where the operator's view of the road and traffic is obstructed when approaching a crossing intersecting public highway or when traversing a bridge or sharp turn or steep descent or a curve in the highway exceeds 15 miles an hour such rate of speed shall be prima facia evidence that the person operating such motor vehicle is operating the same at a rate of speed greater than is reasonable and proper and in violation of this chapter There are many other provisions in this chapter relating to speed of motor busses trucks trailers motorcycles etc The weight of loads to be carried by trucks trailers etc is designated The penalty for running faster than 30 miles an hour on public roads is a fine not to exceed $100 or imprisonment for not more than three months It is probable this speed law is generally violated

The nationally known writer Arthur Brisbane who comes down here every winter and accordingly speaks from experience says Florida is the modern earthly paradise and the future home of millions of happy prosperous people Florida is a national flower garden vegetable garden plus pre eminent the treasure of this nation and the envy of others fronting on the ocean and on the gulf undisputed fertility

According to a statement by the United States bureau of public roads covering the expenditure of federal aid in Florida for construction of roads which the United States will contribute $3 [illegible] 00 in the estimated total cost of $[illegible] 00 [illegible] the large sums to be expended in this state [illegible] money to build good roads [illegible] they are worth all


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## *First Settlement Was Made at New Smyrna*

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Turnbull In the stories of Turnbull s slaves'—Greek Minorcan and Italian—has centered the chief interest of New Smyrna with the outside world Fortunately for Turnbull s descendants and historical veracity these calumnies have at last been silenced Once it might have seemed that New Smyrna would suffer from such despoiling of tradition But the forcible tearing away of the blood curdling tales which have persistently clung to Turnbull s long deserted indigo vats and to the picturesque ruined sugar mill does not leave them naked since there is still enough of historic interest and mystery attaching to the region to clothe everything in a fascinatingly foggy film which cause either conjecture or convincing conclusion in the minds of stranger New Smyrna herself believes she has sufficient evidence of importance concerning what have till now seemed mysteries to justify her in challenging St Augustine s claim to antiquity not from the standpoint of any ordinary conventional rival New Smyrna does not claim to be the oldest incorporated city in the United States but she does claim to be the oldest settlement the original St Augustine!

For over twenty years every visitor to New Smyrna has been told of the trace of Turnbull s colony or shown them and has also had shown him or had described the ruins of an old Spanish mission near also for the past ten years a fort within the town as well as other ruins but these especially the fort and mission have been overshadowed by Turnbull s bequest to posterity and confused with them consequently lumped with the Turnbull relic In reality Turnbull merely made use of part of the old mission building for his sugar mill and because he once began and then abandoned a fort before its completion the old Spanish fort discovered was ascribed to him whereas there was really nothing to substantiate this claim It is upon the mission and the fort with correlating facts and data set down by historians that New Smyrna bases her assertion that she is the original St Augustine

To understand something of New Smyrna claim one must know only a Florida history of the sixteenth century when Philip II of Spain sought to set his seal upon the New World by means of Pedro Menendez de Avilez and in so doing scarred his own and Florida s history irretrievably The expeditions to Florida of Ribaut and Laudonniere in 1562 64 65 were inspired by the Huguenot admiral Coligny but met with the sanction of the French crown then under the regency of Catherine de Medici The expedition primarily meant to establish a refuge for the Huguenots rousing the jealousy of Philip whose bigotry and greed could not brook the planting of Frenchmen and Huguenots in the reputedly rich regions of Florida The peninsula had then indefinite misty boundaries within which were said to be mines of gold silver and precious stone and all this Philip intended to seize incidentally disposing of the French colonists Pedro Menendez de Avilez was exactly the man for his purpose a born sailor and soldier an intrepid by successful commander loyal to his king ruthless and relentless toward heretics and apparently an honest man so far as personal piety and duty went

The agreement between this Knight of the Order of Santiago and Philip was made March 20 1565 but it was the 29th of June before de Avilez had assembled his fleet of ten vessels at Cadiz and set sail The fifteen hundred souls on board included eight hundred soldiers representing thirty eight different trades (among whom it must be remembered were masons and other types of builders) besides one hundred and seventeen tillers of the soil There were one hundred and seventy seamen including eighteen artillerymen and in the San Pelayo sailed twenty seven families Seven priests accompanied the colonists

A violent storm necessitated putting back into port and it was July 28 before they finally left Cadiz Following another fearful gale delayed and separated the fleet so that but five vessels with eight hundred souls finally left Puerto Rico where they touched It was August 29 before they finally reached Hispaniola [illegible] the Spanish fleet [illegible] the harbor of the River of Dolphins [illegible] Laudonniere who had visited it in June 1561 Laudonniere had decided that the locality was unfit for his purpose and had taken his colonists farther up the coast De Avilez however on arriving August 28 1565 judged it suitable for his people and named it for the saint whose calendar day it was St Augustine Circumstances delayed landing at the time but he returned and began disembarking his forces on September 6th When all had landed on September 8th he took formal possession of the country in the name of His Spanish Majesty

De Avilez s occupation of Florida is fraught with highly dramatic interest involving as it does the spilling of torrents of French Spanish and Indian blood and it is with the first few months of this period that New Smyrna s claim is connected although not directly touching the terrible tragedies with which these months were filled St Augustine s claim to antiquity also concerns de Avilez based on the same fundamental fact that the Knight of the Order of Santiago founded St Augustine The difference is that St Augustine s claim rests there does not bring up for discussion what is consider a minor detail that the present site of St Augustine is known not to have been the original site while New Smyrna makes this detail the chief reason for its general and specific claim

St Augustine has accepted without actual proof such statements as that of Fairbanks for instance who says the landing of Menendez was upon the spot where the city of St Augustine now stands But Fairbanks who finished his history of St Augustine over forty years ago did not know of the existence of the old mission the old fort and other ruins at New Smyrna As for outsiders it has been forgotten by most people that the period at which de Avilez occupied the original site was from August 1565 to May 1566 only So far as the original location with the general description of the first fort built by de Avilez is concerned it is known that it was near not the ocean but the harbor of the River of Dolphins And this harbor say Lowery was near the village of an Indian chief named Seloy which lay near the water s edge They dug a ditch around it and threw up a breastwork of earth and fagots

Of the first St Augustine Lowery says further Its original site can no longer be determined but it is known to have been such that it did not command the entrance to the harbor could not be discovered from the sea and was much exposed to the attacks of Indians When in May of the following year the settlement was removed to a more advantageous position the new location received the name of St Augustine from the Spaniards This description fit the situation of New Smyrna and it did fort while New Smyrna claims it has never fitted that of St Augustine The old fort found at New Smyrna is upon a high Indian mound overlooking the North Indian river a situation which as Lowery states would not command the entrance to the harbor yet naturally would have been much exposed to the attacks of Indians It was in fact because de Avilez s fort was so exposed—because the Spaniards were so uneasily harried by the Indians—that the fort and settlement were moved in May 1566 during a temporary absence of de Avilez the fort was in charge of his brother and one night the thatched roof of the magazine was set alight by the firearrows of some of these hostile Indians and the entire fort burned When de Avilez returned on the 18th he decided to build a new one And this was the cause of the abandonment of the old fort the removal to a new site

When the fort was abandoned with the settlement its walls evidently afforded shelter from wind for the Indians of the region and gradually filled up with the sands of centuries as well as with the shells discarded by the savages after feasting upon shellfish Possibly also shells were purposely piled there to serve as some specific mark as is supposed by scientists to have been the case with many of the peninsula s aboriginal mounds And long before Turnbull s occupation of New Smyrna the fort was so completely covered with sand as I shall as to appear but another of the many wonders although concerning hollow mounds [illegible]

[illegible] whose stood near the banks of the river This it should be noted is exactly the situation of the fort an Indian mound which stands near the banks of the river It should also be noted that this was and is the only Indian mound within the town of New Smyrna which identifies it with that on which or in which the old fort was later discovered Bartram continue the avenue ran on a straight line back through the graves across the ridge and terminated at the verge of natural savannahs and ponds

The avenue so conspicuously in evidence when New Smyrna was still one entire orange grove with magnolias palms and red bay is believed by New Smyrna to have been the parade ground of the Spanish fort as the parade ground would naturally extend out from such a stronghold and this avenue was contiguous to the Indian mound It is also supposed that the avenue gave communication to the old mission such a thoroughfare would be use of the relative positions of fort and mission This supposition is strengthened by the fact that when Bartram was at New Smyrna there was no other cleared place and no other building except the mission then practically buried in the heavy growth beyond the savannahs and the fort buried beneath the Indian mound

Only three decades passed after the dissolution of the Turnbull colony before the mound and the grant of land upon which it stood passed into the hands of Mr J D Sheldon of Philadelphia who removed to New Smyrna with his family and built a home upon this very conspicuous Indian mound in entire ignorance of what lay beneath it for the fort ruins were not discovered until some years later This effectually disposes of any possibility that this fort was the one built and abandoned by Turnbull since it is a physical impossibility that in but thirty years it could have been so deeply buried under sand and shell Such a marked token of Turnbull s activities would have remained quite as tangible a proof of his work as did the indigo vats Indeed the latter being deep excavations would have been far more likely to fill because of their form and situation

An additional fact which gives overwhelming weight to the refutation of the Turnbull fort theory is the life story of a tree found growing upon the mound when the Sheldon home was built This tree was allowed to remain and survived the subsequent erection of the house A visiting architect cut a section from this tree and upon examination found it contained three hundred rings indicating its age as three hundred years

It was not until 1881 84 that one of the fort walls was found when the then owner of the mound contracted with the town of New Smyrna to furnish shell for the public streets and for this purpose dug into the mound The first excavation made was a comparatively small one and as the memory of Turnbull was still locally held in horror the chamber thus made was dubbed Turnbull s dungeon Still later the northwest bastion of the fort was unearthed the interior excavated and a more extensive chamber formed at which time the spot was named Turnbull s Castle For although there was absolutely no proof of any connection with Turnbull this recently cast shadow still haunted the region and after three long centuries absence of the one time Spanish conquerors there were no traditions to associate the spot with them And unfortunately the Turnbull appellation stuck to the spot from mere local habit of mind although later proof was presented that Turnbull s residence had been in an entirely different part of the settlement at some distance from the colonists which was the logical natural thing for a man of Turnbull s type and position not to associate closely with his colonists

As analogical proof that the naming of the fort or castle as Turnbull s and similar beliefs and reports were mistakes based upon mere surmise one may cite the finding of the Rock House ruins not far from New Smyrna This also was for a time termed Turnbull s Castle merely because of the popular temporary belief that Turnbull s touch had been upon everything near New Smyrna From the situation of the Rock House commanding (that although upon an inside [illegible] opposite) the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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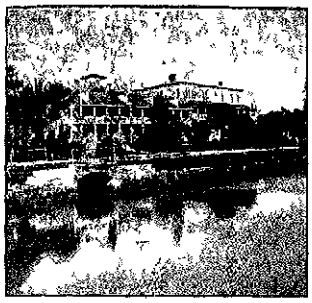

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# MINORCANS WERE EARLY SETTLERS

RELICS OF DR TURNBULL'S PATHETIC COLONY ARE STILL SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THIS COMMUNITY

The following interesting article was written by Ruby Andrews Myers and printed recently in the Daytona Journal

Scattered along the west bank of the Halifax and North Indian rivers are numerous relics of a colony which although it flourished laudably for a time under very unfavorable conditions was destined nevertheless to fail for the same reason that many other such ventures come to naught—lack of money to carry the project through

The relics alluded to are in the form of machinery equipment and utensils used in the making of cane sugar large acreages of cane having been raised by the colonists foundations and walls of sugar mills the ruins of a small fort parts of an old mission chapel and several canals each about one mile in length approximately five feet wide and six feet deep extending eastward and draining into the rivers— all mute but eloquent witnesses of enterprise energy intelligent application and a mechanical skill which utilized successfully and with apparent appreciation of the many natural resources at hand in the new land to which the hopeful colonists had come

These reminders of the effort of that time are commonly alluded to as Spanish ruins and so they are in a sense but it should be borne in mind that they do not belong to the Spanish regime of the sixteenth century at which time Florida was a Spanish province The Spanish of that period with St Augustine for a base were explorers and adventurers but there is no record of any agricultural development on their part anywhere nor of their settlement this far down the coast That there researches and explorations embraced this section there is no doubt but its settlement was left for a later period under another government when in 1768 Dr Andrew Turnbull brought hither a large colony of Greeks and Italians and in addition some five hundred men women and children from the island of Minorca a Spanish possession in the Mediterranean sea and occupied by people of pure Spanish origin and lineage

The fate of this colony and incidents relating particularly to the Minorcan people make one of the most large one of the most unusual dramatic most characteristic and interpretive episodes in all Florida history but happily for all concerned the entire chapter has been in total calls and authentically presented by Miss Corita Duggett in her book Dr Andrew Turnbull and His Minorcan Colony at New Smyrna (to be found at the free public library) all of the statement and claims therein presented substantiated by records in the British foreign office and by official correspondence between the British governor at St Augustine and others in authority and their home government relating to this very colony and still on file in the archives of that country verifying indubitably the claims made for it and its Minorcan members for many years by local informed people conversant with Florida history—people influenced neither by tradition or prejudice

Dr Andrew Turnbull was a Scotchman a physician and a traveler—also somewhat of a sociologist and humanitarian—and when in 1766 the British government came into possession of Florida his investigations in various directions led to the conclusion that the settlement of Florida with peoples from a somewhat similar climate and other natural features for the purpose of developing agricultural possibilities would not only take care of large numbers of the human family but would supply the home government with many articles of commerce there needed This idea was finally carried into practical realization the details of which enterprise are all minutely and carefully recorded by Miss Duggett and in time a large colony of about 1 100 people were brought to the Halifax country and settled along the entire river the back country being planted to corn [illegible]

How It All Came About

[illegible]

[illegible] to the Spanish [illegible] to live In the meantime the British had come into possession of Florida through an agreement with Spain and Dr Turnbull conceived his idea of colonizing with natives of his wife's country under the protection of the home government a choice section of the newly acquired territory He settled his people in this new country his grant embracing the lands from a point opposite Mosquito inlet to another above Ormond comprising a tract of some 60 000 acres full title to which would be given on certain conditions some to be complied with in three years others in ten years the colonists being indentured for the latter term

The climate here was very similar to that left behind in their native lands and the new settlers went to work with a will and in a short time had built themselves dwelling places and cleared and planted many acres with every prospect of success The Mission de San Pedro de los Mosquitos was built near New Smyrna the settlement having been named for the birthplace of Mrs Turnbull a small fort was erected and the sugar mills and machinery installed Mrs Turnbull had accompanied her husband and the family were residents in New Smyrna making frequent trips to St Augustine then the social center of the province

The work of the little colony was continued for nine years with more or less misfortune owing to the fact that Dr Turnbull had brought over about three times as many people as his government had contracted for the extra number embracing the Minorcans which were an afterthought Originally the colony was to embrace only Greeks, failing to secure a full quota of these Italians were included and the voyage was begun the vessels touching at the island of Minorca for water Arriving there Dr Turnbull was implored to take with him some five hundred residents who were anxious to leave the island because of a shortage of food which threatened a famine His sympathy was he undoing for unwilling to hear importunity he burdened himself with more than he had provided for and in the end he was unable to meet the needs of all in spite of earnest and conscientious effort All went well for a time however but after a few years political and religious disagreement among earlier settlers further up the coast— difference originating prior to Dr Turnbull's arrival—began to be reflected in his colony Discontent and mutiny rebellion and desertion by the Italians and Greeks shortage of labor and consequent lack of food resulting in chaos all but destroyed the colony especially as the English governor at St Augustine was personally antagonistic to the Turnbull regime withholding both civil and military help when most needed

Throughout all this the Minorcan element faithful to the article of their indenture remained [illegible] and loyal to the end and it was only when Dr Turnbull and his associates had to surrender their charter and forfeit their grant because of inability to live up to the terms imposed that the Minorcans finally left their homes to which they had no legal claim under the terms and went to St Augustine for help and a hearing—and so became identified with the settlement— as they still are in a very active manner

Turnbull Goes to South Carolina

Failing to meet the terms of his grant though through no fraudulent or other blameworthy motives Dr Turnbull in the year 1785 took his family to Charleston South Carolina where he practiced medicine the remainder of his life an honored citizen and where his wife a social grace won for her an enviable position They lived to a good old age and died leaving a large family who have contributed generously to the culture of both that state and Florida and the doctor and his wife lie buried in the historic old cemetery in that famous old city of the south

When they departed from this section the Minorcans left behind them many evidences of their labor—the old machinery which had been manufactured in and imported from England the walls and foundations made of native coquina rock and the four old canals which still carry excess water down into the rivers as of yore

This is the history of the relics that meet the eye of the sightseer of today—particularly of Florida historic past mementos of a heroic struggle and of faithful continuance [illegible]


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The United States department of agriculture Washington D C has forty or more bulletins and documents devoted to the subject of poultry Interested persons should send for a list Altogether the documents most of them sent free to any applicant and others at cost of publication will make quite a library of information about an industry growing with leaps and bounds in Florida Poultry raising in Florida as in all kinds of farming is a question of intelligent application For one who are not familiar with the hen are invited to read the following tribute by Prof D E Willard The good old hen the modest the indomitable the busy hen—she of the red comb—to her would I write an apostrophe! More paradoxes could be written of her than of any domestic animal on the farm She earns more in proportion to her cost and is given less credit than the horse the cow the sheep or pig She works harder, gets up earlier attends to her own business better while less thought is given to her comfort than to any animal on the farm she picks up what nothing else wants and what no other animal would find She pays in cackable product each day for what she picked up the day before Her contributions to the breakfast table and to the credit side of the grocery bill are regularly made, for which she reserves scant thanks, yet she sings and cackles and goes on complainingly on her way She is the best money maker on the farm She turns grass into greenbacks, grains into gold, and from the sand and gravel she coins silver There is nothing on the place to compare with her In her way she is a gold mine on the face of the earth, a mill that grinds that which others overlook or refuse She deserves more than she gets and she gets what she wants by going after it God bless the humble hen she is one of man s best and most neglected friends" The agricultural college at Gainesville will supply information about varieties adapted to Florida Prof N W Sanform poultry expert of the Florida state experiment station, declares that hens do well in this state for the same reason that men do People come here in the winter from the north to escape the cold and he says they can come in the summer and get away from the hot days and sultry nights up there People can get as much real comfort here in the summer as anywhere and summer comfort is as good for hens as humans he says

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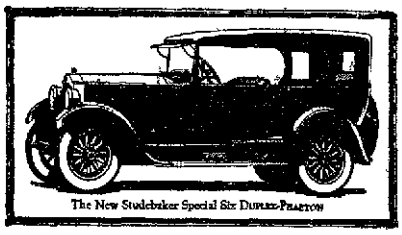

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Charle M Meers of DeLand is of the opinion that diamonds will eventually be found in Florida He says It is not only possible but probable that such will be the case The blue clays that occur in many parts of the state are similar to the clays in which diamonds are found in South Africa Only a few years ago diamonds were found in the blue clays at Kimberlite Ark, and work has been done on the property that has resulted in the discovery of about 1 600 diamonds In many localities in Florida the blue clay in which diamonds usually are found, is encountered by drillers of wells At Saw Pit Bluff in Nassau county the clay is found at four feet below the surface, and near Crandall it lies some 20 feet deep On Amelia island it has been found 500 feet below the surface South Jacksonville, Bunnell, Middleburg Daytona and many other places have driven wells in which the diamond bearing blue clay has been found In the St Johns river opposite Chaseville, one of the government dredges found a tract of this material and many crystal were dredged out This caused considerable excitement as they were transparent and consequently gem materials even though they were not diamonds In my opinion, diamonds will some time be found in Florida so if you find a transparent stone do not throw it away it may be valuable Florida has more minerals than is generally thought to be the case One of the most important of these is diatomite which is pure silica as light as cork It is used extensively as the basis of silver polish talcum powder, in high priced paints and has many other uses H W Bishop of Eustis is the authority on diatomite Florida also produces pearls as most of the fresh waters contain the pearl mussel and the shell mounds abound in fossils and specimens that delight the minds of geologists

P J Holly editor of the Florida Trucker published at Sanford says Everyone in Florida can have a vegetable garden if they have any mind at all and even the folks living in the city can have a vegetable for the table and perhaps have some to sell to the grocerymen Vegetables are grown here all the year round and one can always have something growing in the little garden In the North the folks take great pride in their gardens because they have them only a few short months in the year Perhaps the reason Florida folks pay a little attention to home gardens is because they have so much land that they think but little of the home garden Just now is a good time to think about the garden and this means flowers and fruit as well as vegetables A garden is much finer than a yard grown up in weeds and if everyone in Florida would try the garden plan they would not only have plenty of fresh vegetables but they would experience a great joy in the growing plants

Manual of Instructions for the Conduct of a Community Mosquito Control Campaign by Chief Sanitary Engineer G W Simons Jr of the Florida state board of health Jacksonville and sent free is a public document It is fully illustrated and says there are 65 known species of mosquitoes in Florida but only four are really troublesome Mosquitoes must have water to breed in Wigglelands breathe through the tail A slight coating of oil on water will prevent them from coming to the surface to get air Only female mosquitoes bite


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Joe Hugh Reese in Tampa Times

Historians are agreed that the Spanish occupation of Florida failed demonstrate any considerable im ve or energy on the part of those ly settlers but if this characteri on is just as to the Spanish in eral it did not apply to Pedro endez

If those who succeeded him had ibited even a fractional portion of great activity and sagacity, there uld have been a different story to old His was a restless and a tful career

Upon his return to St. Augustine m Matanzas Inlet after the third ssacre of the French Huguenots tober 12 1565 he received word m the Indians that the French who d retreated from Matanzas had ned at a point to the south about ht days' march and were engaged building a fort and a ship

Menendez immediately went in suit but before doing so he nded the first civil government in rida by appointing a junta (coun ) the junta and the captains med a cabildo (town corporation) appointed his brother Captain thoine Menendez as alcalde and vernor and sending to Fort San tico for 150 men he took a like mber from St Augustine and set t with three ships the soldiers nching and the ships carrying the plies and landing at night at points ere the troops camped

When Menendez came upon the nchmen they fled but he pledged it they would not be harmed and but twenty surrendered These t only refused to give themselves but sent a defiant message that ey would rather be eaten by the dians than surrender to the Span

The number of French to surrender given as 150 and these with the 0 Spaniards made a total of 450 to are the small stock of provisions Menendez made haste in setting l for Cuba to obtain supplies He left his men quartered with e cacique of that territory whose me was Ays and the location of is camp which later became a set ment was Indian River Inlet menendez took two ships and 50 of s own men besides 20 Frenchmen that time the voyage to Cuba d never been made through the hama channel and it was consid ed hazardous, but Menendez was a mous sailor and he made the voy e of a hundred leagues against rong currents and through a blind g storm in two days without any mpass

The Adelantado left Florida No mber 4 1565, and in Cuba pre ented his demands to the governor hose name was Garcia Osorio, but at official refused and rebuffed enendez in such a manner that the tter issued a proclamation calling r reinforcements and supplies in e name of his majesty, the king of pain and with such success that he t sail December 6 with three ships d 550 men

A short distance out from Havana came upon a caravel and discov ed the vessel was from Spain with spatches from the king to the effect at a large armada was being as mbled in France to attack the Span ish in the West Indies and in Flori da King Philip informed Menendez that he was sending a force of 1 000 men and 17 ship with supplies to re pel the invasion

This news changed the Adelanta do s plans He left Pedro Menendez one of his ships to Florida with supplies and other to Puerto la Plata for meat and cassava and the third he sent to Spain with dispatches for the king informing his majesty of what he had done

Returning to Havana Menendez occupied his time in assembling more ships and supplies and in February he sailed to explore the channel between the Tortugas and the Florida Keys and continued his voyage to the Florida west coast landing in the domain of Cacique Carlos, entering Charlotte harbor which he called the Bay of San Anton

News had reached Menendez that a number of whites were held captive by Carlos a certain number being sacrificed each year on festal occasions and it was his purpose to rescue those who still lived

Menendez did not achieve his purpose without difficulty Carlos was the most powerful and blood thirsty of the Calooza Indians and it was only by exercising the most seductive diplomacy that Menendez managed to gain the cacique s consent to take the whites aboard his vessel There were eight captives five women and three men and it was reported to Menendez that there were two other men and one woman some distance inland these being all who remained of some 200 who had been wrecked on an expedition from the Indies twenty years previously the others having been killed off gradually by the Indians

Carlos is represented as about 25 years old and very much of a gentleman His father had preceded him as the monarch of that realm and was responsible for the custom of murdering the whites on feast days but the son had one likewise evidently in the belief that the sacrifices propitiated the gods of their heathenish worship

Menendez lavished gifts upon Carlos and his leaders and gained their good will Then he managed by strategy to get the cacique on board his brigantine and having him in his power he told him in the frank and candid fashion which distinguished the Adelantado that if the cacique didn t give up the prisoners he would be killed on the spot This cool statement convinced Carlos probably the only argument to use under the circumstances and fearing Menendez Carlos became his friend though the Adelantado never trusted the ca que any farther than he could see him

After agreeing to surrender the captives Carlos was *permitted to* leave the brigantine and invited Menendez to dine with him The captives warned Menendez that the Indians intended to kill him but the Adelantado let Carlos know that he had been warned and received assurances from the cacique that he had no such purpose However, Menendez landed 200 arquebusiers and took along his fifers drummers and trumpeters and a dwarf who was a remarkable singer

The house occupied by Carlos could accommodate 2 000 persons without crowding it appearing that those savages lived comfortably and with considerable *ostentation*

Carlos had prepared an imposing reception for the Adelantado and his company Five hundred principal men were ranged on one side and 500 women on the other and there were several hundred singers who sang in groups of 50 at a time and carried most of them Indian girls between 10 and 20 years old yet among them were some women between 40 and 100 years who danced and whooped with agility There was in each group of persons Carlos presented Menendez a box of silver and instead upon giving Menendez his sister for a wife and Menendez gave Carlos clothing for himself and his count attaches

Such hospitality was a bit more than even the hardy Menendez had expected and he attempted to explain to Carlos that Christian men were not permitted to marry heathen women but he saw that his attitude displeased the cacique and being in great jeopardy he held a consultation with his captains and they advised him to accept the cacique s offer This was done on the condition that the cacique s sister should be taken to Havana and instructed in the Christian religion

So, when Menendez departed he took an Indian wife with him whom he sent to Cuba under care of the church as well as the white captives he had rescued from a horrible fate He afterwards visited Carlos and restored his sister to him and acted as intermediary between Carlos and other caciques who were at war among these being Tocobago whose capital was 50 leagues farther up the coast on old Tampa bay and Tequesta who ruled the territory of Miami and the keys At all of these places Menendez planted missions with garrisons setting up crosses building chapels and leaving priests to instruct the Indians

Menendez was of the belief that an inland waterway existed connecting the St Johns and the lower west coast He explored the Calosahatchee river and the Hillsborough river for enough either to give up that idea or to defer further explorations until he could give the work more time He also explored the St Johns river (then known as the San Mateo) for 100 miles

His exploration of the St Johns was not conducted until several months later for upon leaving Carlos Menendez went to St Augustine and to San Mateo where he learned of mutinies among the soldiers and had several hundred had deserted and had returned to the West Indies He *also found the forts in a serious situation* because supplies were almost exhausted However before going to Cuba for supplies Menendez explored the coast to Guale and to San Ia Elena the former locality being that of Amelia Island or St Simons Island in Georgia and embracing a part of the mainland South Carolina at Hilton Head S C

At Guale the Adelantado found two Indians who had been taken from Orista the cacique who ruled over the Santa Elena region and having made friends with the cacique Guale he persuaded him to make peace with Orista and to allow the Adelantado to act as intermediary Guale assented upon condition that the Adelantado leave two Spaniards as hostages for the prisoners whom *the Adelantado proposed should be* restored to Orista Menendez agreed and in due time proceeded to Santa Elena effected a truce between the caciques and established a fort at St Elena which he named San Felipe in honor of his royal master King Philip Returning to Guale he established a colony there

Upon his return to the forts at San Mateo and St Augustine Menendez learned of the hostility and cruelty of the Indians under Saturiba They had burned the fort at St. Augustine and this caused Menendez to change caciques Hotuna or Outina Mayaca or Mayaca and Calabay

Menendez discovered much to his surprise that the tide rose and fell in the river for a distance of 40 leagues A fit preceded the stream became so narrow as to be no broader than the length of two pikes and he encountered such strong currents that the difficulties added to the hostility of the Indians along the banks at that point caused him to abandon the expedition though he gained information from the Indians that the river was narrow and very deep for a distance of 80 leagues and finally emptied into a great lagoon known as Mayimi (Lake Okeechobee)

Before his departure for Spain Menendez sent out a party to explore the coast as far north as the Chesapeake bay and to set up a mission there The interior from Fort San Felipe was explored inland for a distance of 150 leagues and in 1578 Pedro Menendez Marques a nephew of Menendez, who had been left in charge of Florida explored the coast from the keys to the Chesapeake bay and wrote the first description of it

Menendez sailed for Spain May 18, 1567 and subsequently served as governor general of Cuba succeeding the haughty and hated Garcia Osorio He made his last trip to Florida in 1571 sailing from San Lucar May 17, with a fleet of seven vessels. Upon arrival at Havana he learned of the destruction of the second mission which had been established at the Chesapeake which was known as the Bay of Santa Maria of Axacan On his way north he stopped at San Felipe and on his return at St Augustine to give succor to these forts

It is stated in several accounts that the Spanish were soldiers and not farmers and that no development of the soil ever took place under Spanish rule but this was far from the purpose of Philip and Menendez In the asiento granted by the king it was provided that all farm implements and sugar mill machinery should be exported to Florida free of duty, and several hundred farmers were among those who were settled in Florida by Menendez He had such difficulty in financing his expeditions in quelling mutinies in making peace with the Indians and in setting up missions as fundamental to the eventual development of the country that he was permitted little opportunity to superintend agricultural activity

But he never explored a section that he did not take note of the nature of the soil and determined what crops it would grow best as for example at Santa Elena he reported the soil as adapted to grain and grapes

Upon his first landing at the St Johns in 1562 Jean Ribault reported the presence of many mulberry trees *and the existence thereon of silk* worms In preparing for the transportation of sugar mill machinery Philip and Menendez foresaw the development of the sugar industry in Florida which bears evidence of their prophetic vision At that time sugar making was one of the leading industries of Spain While Philip and Menendez unquestionably believed that Florida abounded in gold and other precious metals there could be no doubt that both desired to colonize this land with farmers no less than to develop the mines and the fisheries

The early adventurers had reason to believe the country to be rich in valuable minerals and precious stones The natives gave or traded silver and gold and pearls to the members of every expedition of which we have authentic account During Hernando de Soto s explorations he made friends with an Indian queen who bestowed a great quantity of pearls upon him and his men but these valuables were of no use to them in the wilderness and it is related of one of de Soto s captains that he flung away a sack filled with pearls a fortune in value rather than be burdened with them and there was no one in the company who valued them sufficiently to gather them up

The cacique Carlos with whom Menendez treated extensively was reputed as wealthy and the soldiers under Menendez traded baubles for a large amount of gold and silver, but this traffic was not approved by Menendez He was urged by his captains to make war upon Carlos because of the large amount of gold he possessed but Menendez would not profit himself by such means and he would not permit his men to be guilty of any act of violence against the natives He was the first of the Adelantados to instill a high order of morals and respect in the savages, and his punishment of the French under Ribault while brutal and heartless served him well in treating with the Indians for all had heard about him and his massacre of the French and they feared him but when they came to know him they adopted him as an elder brother," in the words of the Spanish chronicle, for he was kind brought peace and comfort to them effecting peace between warring tribes and teaching them the *benefits of civilization* and the rewards of service

But religious intolerance was the snag upon which the Spanish ship of state was crushed Spain had warred against infidelism Mohammedanism and heresy and to Philip and Menendez this was a holy cause It was of paramount importance overshadowing everything else and it was this which called Menendez back to Spain in 1574 to assume command of the Invincible Armada which Philip had assembled to crush Protestantism in England Menendez never lived to command that fleet He was acclaimed as the greatest navigator of his time and if he had lived the great armada might have been victorious but this can be only conjectured

War between England and Spain began in 1585 and three years later the Invincible Armada was destroyed by the British A year after war was declared Sir Francis Drake destroyed St Augustine It is worthy of remark that Drake was a kinsman of Sir John Hawkins and had been educated by Hawkins who brought relief to the French under Laudonniere at Fort Caroline on the St. Johns river in 1565

Drake was the first Englishman to circumnavigate the globe and was knighted in 1580 by Queen Elizabeth in recognition of that achievement When he sighted St Augustine and bore down upon it the Spanish fled The town is described as having had a council house a church and a fort and many beautiful gardens From this it would seem that the Spanish had made progress in building and beautifying their homes

Which is evidence that the Spanish were not as lazy or as shiftless as usually they are painted

For beauty is the product of energy natural or human

### *The Greatness of Florida*

Florida is a great land Ponce de Leon named it the land of Many Flowers because he found there a profusion of blossoms when he sought the fabled fountain of youth but at that the adventuring Spaniard was not far from the fountain of youth when he got to Florida His only mistake was in thinking that it was a definite location there instead of the whole peninsula Florida is a fountain of youth and within the last few years those who have become acquainted with it have begun to realize that it is not only a land of recreation and healthfulness but of commercial opportunity as well

Florida oranges grapefruit and a myriad of other products grace the tables of the whole United States today and as time goes on more and more of the products of that land of sunshine will be demanded by those who live in regions where a less salubrious climate prevails

Florida held an exposition in New York city last winter and it is going to give one here during the coming winter This exposition will again call the attention of the rest of the country to the wonders of Florida not only as the land of sunshine and flowers but in a commercial sense as well —New York Commercial

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## Florida Rich History Is Dream Come True

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mod of the romance and tragedy as well as adventure a phase overlooked by adventure of a more recent date who find in mind the adjunct of modern equipment rather than the effete veneer of European culture Several point of interest make tone on the road of progress may be traversed with interest and no little intellectual profit

In the days of long ago Florida called to the Spaniard to seek the fabled city of El Dorado and the Fountain of Youth legendary sources of wealth and perpetual youth so the old adventurer came leaving in their wake many tales of remarkable exploit that still thrill the lover of ancient activities at home and abroad But Florida is as yet an almost untried field for the modern fictionist though the facts of early days read like fairy tales and one can find in them a background of the most fascinating for an old time story or a modern one If some facile writer would come to the force and do with Florida's old tales what Gerlinde Atherton has done for California Mary Johnson for Virginia Fenimore Cooper for New York George Cable for Louisiana what a wealth of literature might thus be added to the always delightful theme of America's early settlement Historians and poets write of the oldest settlements of the New World naming Jamestown and Plymouth forgetful or unknowing of the fact that New Smyrna is more than a hundred years older than either

Florida is at once the older and the newer country on the Atlantic seaboard on the gulf coast Here is found a bewildering mixture of the antique and the most modern The ancient gate and battlement of St Augustine and the mission of New Smyrna connect with mediaeval Europe and lead to the unfolding of a tale more wonderful than one can readily believe is based on facts while modern culture finds expression at close proximity

Many of the most interesting stories are the least known The story of Pensacola under five flags reads like an epic a lifetime might be spent in the study of Indians their life and skill at hold and has held of manners agriculture jurisprudence mythology and their impress left on the nomenclature of the state in the musical names of towns creeks rivers Like however corrupt by the unsophisticated and unscholarly white Who knows that Florida has a Boccaccio story teaming in interest fact of Old Dominion itself? Who knows that one of the most deadly battles of the civil war probably the most deadly when the numbers involved and the percentage of loss taken into consideration was fought at Olustee where the loss was greater than at Chickamauga or Gettysburg Lower Achille Murat the exiled Bonaparte lived in and around Tallahassee during almost the entire territorial period and he and his wife lie buried there What an appeal to the romancist lies in these facts of local history! Judah P Benjamin Confederate secretary of the treasury lived at Bladentown for two months after the fall of the Confederacy before his final departure for England whence he never returned and his house is still standing The greatest massacre ever perpetrated by the Indians took place on Florida soil between Ocala and Tampa and the life of Osceola the half breed Indian chief would fill volumes!

The accomplishments of men of more modern times form a fascinating matter of record The Disston drainage scheme the first railroad built in Florida the exploits of Andrew Jackson all furnish story material of the richest The greatest boon to humanity ever invented or utilized lies in the achievement of a native Floridian Dr John Gorrie of Apalachicola who invented the process of ice manufacture and perfected the first machine therefor His statue has found a place in the National Hall of Fame at Washington and his statue is the work of another native Floridian Adrian Gillett who is the sculptor of the giant Confederate memorial Edward Kirby Smith has been sculptured by the Florida Commission

One of the most exciting facts of Florida history [illegible] Ponce de Leon [illegible] Key West in the year of 1513 [illegible] Ponce de Leon [illegible] experiences of [illegible] who were chosen to put the [illegible] venture through

Governor Broward's great scheme for draining the Everglades would make a foundation for the greatest reclamation story ever written especially if the romantic life of Broward himself might be incorporated—a native son of Florida rising from steamboat and logging camp cook to the United States senate by way of the governor's office—a man of love and achievement of patriotism and integrity worthy of a high place in the honor roll of honor

With all this background coupled with the spirit of the natural romance that will be written by the lovers of lovers which will be found in bolt upon the annals of this wonderful state The hammock Blooming of the tropic and sunny scenes of peaceful pell mell around the people Amid living near the edge of any of the beautiful rivers like or bays in the bed by the wishing of wave cloud reflections and water scenes or find near the heart of pine filled groves where is ever to be found that elusive something which means uplift of spirit and some of the calm which should now and then descend into each life

Florida! What a magic lies in the word! It brings forth visions of fragrant golden fruited groves moss draped oaks and fern covered plains the shimmering gold of the allamanda the flaming red of the poinciana foam flecked waves on glistening beaches emerald tides and phosphorescent paths in the waters the glorious nights athrill with music when gentle breezes swing through honeysuckle hedges the calls and hushes of the whippoorwill where the air is soft and swallows dip and flit along the rosing evening sky

Most present day scribes or at least those of this immediate generation for some 25 years past may think they have a monopoly of boosting Florida—which means singing her praises in such alluring strains as to attract attention to her many charms and advantages But few can do better more felicitously or with better understanding than William Stork who seems to have done a good job in that line in 1767 for so long a time literature was distributed concerning the unequalled climate of Florida then in possession of the British In an Account of East Florida published in the year named he wrote

In East Florida there is indeed a type of the sun but it is a mild one in November and December many trees lose their leaves vegetation grows on slowly and winter is received in the northern part of the province a light frost happened but seldom the first known there in the memory of man but I do not find upon inquiry that snow has ever been seen there The winters are so mild that the Spaniards at St Augustine had neither chimneys in their houses nor glass in their windows The tenderest plants of the West Indies such as the plantain the alligator pear the banana the pineapple the sugar cane etc remain unhurt during the winter in the gardens of St Augustine

To the mildness of the climate the author of this old account of his visit to Florida ascribes the great age of many of the inhabitants of the country at this early date "The natives says he are described to have been larger and of a stronger make than the Mexican Indians When the Spaniards quitted St Augustine many of them were of great age some above ninety Again with respect to the healthfulness of Florida he adds The inhabitants of the Spanish settlements in America consider Florida with respect to its healthfulness in the same light that we do the south of France and they looked upon St Augustine as the Montpelier of America The Spaniards from Savannah and elsewhere have frequently resorted hither for the benefit of their health

That the English speaking peoples did not flock to this favored region described in such glowing terms by Mr Stork is regarded as a certainty for despite his and the testimonials of those who visited Florida from time to time the real merits of this section did not come to be known generally until the last quarter century more than one hundred years after Mr Stork The reason is not far to seek

Swamps infested with mosquitoes and alligators were imagined to be characteristic of the entire state, and this view was entertained by many for long years after this original report on the climate and healthfulness of Florida was made Efforts to correct the false impression that reptiles were here in great numbers were made by him even when he chased the alligator with the insects for he goes on to say

One would be apt to think it must of course be overrun with venomous insects and reptiles Several writers who mentioned Florida have taken it for granted to be so among others the gentleman who lately wrote Major Rogers History of North America tells us that East Florida would be a fine country were it not for the innumerable venomous insects with which it is infested The fact is quite otherwise if we except the alligator East Florida has fewer insects than any other province in North America The author says the reason for few mosquitoes is the fact that the Creek Indians continually set the grasses on fire for the convenience of hunting by which means not only the insects but the eggs are also destroyed

The orange trees grow wild in Florida in 1769 he says and were so well adapted to the climate that it has spread itself everywhere and is [illegible] from a report that the inhabitants not apprehensive of a scarcity frequently cut down the tree in order to gather the fruit The fertility of the country is described and many fruits and flowers and berries that grew here in 1769 are numerated The little volume hardly more than a pamphlet may be considered as the forerunner of Florida literature for distribution though by no means the first effort at a description of the country but merely touching upon [illegible] appreciative style the climate [illegible] and natural beauties of the region [illegible] to become famous and [illegible] to thousands seeking the most delectable land on earth

While Florida was a British colony from 1763 to 1783 many Englishmen of note came to this section of the world to see what it looked like and among them William Bartram a distinguished botanist who added much to the world's knowledge of natural history in his delightful descriptions of the woods birds and animals of what has since become known as the playground of the rich

Prof W L Floyd head of department of horticulture at the university at Gainesville is [illegible] forestry is one of supreme importance in Florida Our state was a great forested region a source of a large income from lumber ties poles piling and stones but this must come to an end unless pioneer steps are taken to preserve what is left


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